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## **NEWELL, William Stark, LL.D., D. Eng.**

Long associated with the Bath Iron Works Corporation of Bath, William Stark Newell has been chairman of the board of directors, since 1947, and president of this company since 1927. He is associated with some of the leading shipbuilding, shipping and other interests in the country, and is widely known throughout his home state.

Mr. Newell was born May 31, 1878, at Albany, New York. While he was still a student, he served as an engineer cadet with the American Line, North Atlantic Service, in 1897 and in 1898 worked in the shipyard of the Bath Iron Works. In 1899, he was graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. With the Maryland Steel Company, Sparrow Point, Baltimore, he was next engaged in shipyard machinery installation. He became a ship's draftsman with the Bath Iron Works in 1900. In 1901 he was at sea, returning to shore as a technical draftsman at Bath in 1902. Five years later he was given an official position as assistant to the vice president and superintending engineer. After seven years, he became engineering works manager, in 1914, so continuing until 1925. In 1926 and 1927, he was general manager of the New York Shipbuilding Corporation, and subsequently in November, 1927, became president of the Bath Iron Works Corporation, serving for twenty years in that

office, until he became both chairman of the board and president, in 1947.

In addition to these offices in the Bath Iron Works, Mr. Newell today holds a number of other offices in business and industrial organizations, notably, as president of the Todd-Bath Iron Shipbuilding Corporation, an office which he has held since 1940, and of the Kennebec Towage Company, to which he was appointed in 1934. He became president of the Eastern Maine Towage Company in 1943, and of the United Seamen's Service, Inc., in 1944. He has been a director of the Oliver Broadcasting Company, operating Station WPOR, since 1945. From 1933 to 1941, he was president of the Bath Savings Institution, and from 1941 to January 1, 1943, he was president of the South Portland Shipbuilding Corporation. Today he is director of the Maine Central Railroad Company, the Bath Trust Company, the Bath Savings Institution, the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, Mack Trucks, Inc., and the Bates Manufacturing Company. He was a director of Fay and Scott, at Dexter, from 1938 to 1943, and of the Maine Port Authority from 1944 to 1947.

His main activity, however, has been with the Bath Iron Works Corporation, which is one of the oldest shipbuilding companies in the United States. It is the only remaining shipyard of a score or more that once lined the banks of the Kennebec River, where shipbuilding had

its birth in the New World in 1607, and where probably a greater number of wooden sailing ships were built in the years around 1850 than on any other river in the world. In 1865, after the close of the Civil War, General Thomas W. Hyde purchased a small iron foundry in his native city of Bath, and manufactured auxiliary machinery for wooden ships of that time. In 1889 this business was combined with the Goss Marine Iron Works, who were building marine engines and boilers, to form the Bath Iron Works, Ltd., with the intention of building steel ships in addition to its previous business. The first vessel contracted for was the wooden steamer "Cottage City," completed in 1890, and operated in the passenger and freight business between Portland and New York City. In April, 1890, contracts were obtained from the United States Navy for construction of the steel gunboats "Machias" and "Castine." These vessels exceeded their contract requirements by a substantial margin and were the first of a long list of vessels, including a ram, battleship, cruisers, torpedo boats and destroyers subsequently built for the United States Navy. From 1890 to 1900, the plant built thirty vessels including the Long Island Sound steamer "City of Lowell," the largest steel, steam yacht built in this country; the fastest ocean-going steam yacht; the first composite, electrically lighted lightship; the first ocean-going American tramp steamship; and the fastest torpedo boats in the Navy up to that time. From 1900 to 1910, the plant delivered tugs, cruisers, a monitor, the battleship "Georgia," yachts, passenger steamers and destroyers. The passenger steamers "Camden" and "Belfast" were the second and third passenger ships in the United States to be propelled by

steam turbines, and they were built by the firm under license agreement with the Parsons Marine Steam Turbine Company, of England. These steamers were in active operation in the Hawaiian Islands during World War II. The years from 1910 to 1920 saw the change from coal fired to oil fired boilers for the turbine driven destroyers, and the building of the destroyer "Wadsworth," the first geared turbine vessel in the United States Navy. At the close of the first World War, no new contracts for naval vessels were possible because of the policy of reduction in naval armaments. Before 1917, the plant had been owned and controlled by various members of the Hyde family of Bath but then it was sold and became a publicly owned corporation. Shipbuilding was at a low ebb from 1920 to 1925, and the company was unable to meet its cumulative preferred stock dividends and the interest on its funded debt, and was obliged to suspend operations. The plant was sold under foreclosure in September, 1925, to a group of used machinery dealers. In October, 1927, a smaller company was incorporated as the Bath Iron Works Corporation, with William S. Newell, who had been engineer works manager in the old company, as president. It took over the property and obtained a contract for construction of a twin-screw Diesel yacht. The plant was gradually rehabilitated, and built steel yachts, fishing trawlers, and Coast Guard patrol boats. In 1931 it built the first destroyer for the Navy after the end of World War I. By 1940 the firm had built, or was building, a total of sixteen destroyers.

The fall of France caused the company to increase the plant's acreage from fifteen to forty-eight; it set up the Harding fabrication, galvanizing and storage plant, three and one-half miles from the main







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shipyard; built eight new steel, brick and concrete buildings; tripled its fitting-out docks, and added three new shipbuilding berths to provide for construction of destroyers. The war years saw the payroll grow to more than twelve thousand employees, and large type destroyers being built and delivered at the rate of twenty-two ships per year. At the end of World War II, naval shipbuilding was cut back by cancellation of some destroyers and termination or suspension of others. The company obtained a contract for thirty-two trawlers from the French Government, six being 68-meter vessels, six, 42-meter vessels, and twenty, 32-meter vessels. This contract was completed in February, 1949. The company also built a 167-foot yacht, and reconverted to peacetime use three C-2 cargo ships. At the same time, the company carefully explored the possibilities for other products that it could manufacture, trying vending machines, crusher machinery and other items. Manufacture of the vending machines has been discontinued, but the purchase of the Pennsylvania Crusher Company, which is now operated as a wholly-owned subsidiary, has resulted in a desirable work load for the fabrication and machine shops. The company was recently awarded a contract for the construction of two destroyers, larger than those built during the last war. Additional facilities in the main yard at Bath and at the fabrication plant at Harding's were purchased in 1948 from the government subject to a national security clause. In 1949 some old cranes were replaced, and building berths were altered and strengthened. The yard is thus equipped to handle economically and expeditiously the construction of all types and sizes of vessels up to about six hundred feet in length.

In 1940 Mr. Newell was commissioned by the British Government to design and build a shipyard at South Portland for the construction of thirty, 10,000-ton deadweight cargo ships. In 1941 he was ordered by the Maritime Commission to enlarge the yard built for the British by adding six ways, giving the yard thirteen ways, and at the conclusion of the war a total of two hundred and seventy-four large cargo ships had been built and delivered.

Along with his business interests, Mr. Newell figures prominently in a number of organizations. He is a life member of the Corporation of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a trustee of Colby College, Webb Institute of Naval Architecture, and Thomas Alva Edison Foundation, Inc. He is a past president of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, and a member of the Institution of Naval Architects of Great Britain, the North East Coast Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, the American Society of Naval Engineers, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the American Committee Lloyd's Register of Shipping, the American Bureau of Shipping, the New York Chamber of Commerce, the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the New England Council. He is an honorary member of the Société de Chimie Industrielle of France, as well as chairman of the Maine Committee, American Branch, of the Newcomen Society of England. He holds many honors, professional and otherwise, being an officer of the Order of Maritime Merit and a Knight of the Legion of Honor of France. Under date of May 15, 1946, he received a citation from the President of the United States for "eminent service rendered in the field of humanitarian war relief during World War II." From the same



source, on July 16, 1947, he was cited "for outstanding fidelity and meritorious conduct in aid of the war effort against the common enemies of the United States and its Allies in World War II," for the construction of combatant ships for the United States Navy. He also holds several academic degrees, including the Master of Science degree from Bowdoin College, Doctor of Laws from Colby College, and Doctor of Engineering from both the University of Maine and Stevens Institute of Technology. Mr. Newell is a member of the Cumberland Club, of Portland, the University Club of Boston, and the Engineers Club, the Union League Club and India House of New York City.

William Stark Newell married Caroline E. Moulton. They became the parents of a son, John Rogers Newell, who was born June 30, 1912, in Bath, and attended Phillips Academy, Andover, where he was graduated in 1930, and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he received, in 1934, his degree of Bachelor of Science in naval architecture and marine engineering. In 1935 he became connected with the Bethlehem Steel Company, serving in their Quincy, Massachusetts, plant until 1937, and in their San Francisco plant in 1937 and 1938. In 1938 he came to the Bath Iron Works where he became assistant general manager in 1944 and vice president in charge of operations in 1947. He is a director of the Todd-Atlantic Shipyards, the Pennsylvania Crusher Company and the Bath Trust Company. He is a corporator of the Bath Savings Institution. In addition to his other activities, he is president of the Pine Tree Society for Crippled Children. He is a Republican in politics and was president of the Board of Aldermen of Bath from 1941 to 1944. The younger Mr. Newell is also a member of the Engineers

Club of New York City, the University Club of Washington, D. C., and the Rotary Club of Bath. During World War II, he served in the Navy as a lieutenant, being stationed at Washington, D. C., from 1944 until honorably discharged in 1947. He is a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity and of Central Congregational Church (Bath).

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#### **COFFIN, Robert Peter Tristram**

One of the best-known names in American poetry is that of Robert Peter Tristram Coffin, a resident and a native of Maine, whose many books of verse, and of fiction and essays, appearances on the lecture platform, and awards for the excellence of his writing, have reflected credit on his home state.

Born March 18, 1892, Mr. Coffin is a native of Brunswick, and a son of James William and Alice Mary (Coombs) Coffin. He received his degree of Bachelor of Arts, *summa cum laude*, from Bowdoin College in 1915, and that of Master of Arts from Princeton the following year. He was Rhodes Scholar from Maine to Trinity College, Oxford University, England during 1916-1917 and 1919-1921, has received the Bachelor of Arts degree and the Bachelor of Letters degree from Oxford, and honorary degrees of Doctor of Literature from Bowdoin College and the University of Maine.

Dr. Coffin was Henry Wadsworth Longfellow Scholar to Princeton in 1915-1916, and from 1921 to 1934 was a member of the faculty of Wells College, Aurora, New York, being successively instructor, assistant professor and associate professor. From 1928 to 1934, he was also Anna Adams Piutti Professor of English; and he has been Pierce Professor of English at Bowdoin since 1934. He has been lecturer at summer courses at the Univer-



sity of New Hampshire and Columbia University, and has been one of those educators responsible for bringing to the United States the Oxford idea of honor work in English literature. He took a leave of absence to study this honor system at Oxford in 1928-1929.

Dr. Coffin is the author of the following works: "Christchurch" (verse), 1924; "Book of Crowns and Cottages" (essays), 1925; "Dew and Bronze" (verse), 1927; "Golden Falcon" (verse), 1929; "An Attic Room" (essays), 1929; "Laud, Storm Center of Stuart England" (biography), 1930; "The Dukes of Buckingham" (biography), 1931; "Portrait of an American" (biography), 1931; "The Yoke of Thunder" (verse), 1932; "Ballads of Square-Toed Americans" (verse), 1933; "Lost Paradise" (autobiography), 1934; "Strange Holiness" (verse), 1935; "Red Sky in the Morning" (novel), 1935; "John Dawn" (novel), 1936; "Saltwater Farm" (verse), 1937; "Kennebec: Cradle of Americans" (one of the Rivers of America series of historical works), 1937; "New Poetry of New England" (the Turnbull Lectures delivered at Johns Hopkins University), 1938; "Maine Ballads" (verse), 1938; "Collected Poems" (verse), 1939; "Captain Abby and Captain John" (biography), 1939; "Thomas-Thomas-Ancil-Thomas" (novel), 1941; "There Will Be Bread and Love" (verse), 1942; "The Substance that is Poetry" (the Patten Lectures delivered at Indiana University), 1942; "Book of Uncles" (essays), 1942; "Primer for America" (verse), 1943; "Mainstays of Maine" (essays), 1944; "Poems for a Son with Wings" (verse), 1945; "People Behave Like Ballads" (verse), 1946; "Yankee Coast" (essays), 1947; "Collected Poems" (enlarged edition), 1948; "The Third Hunger & The Poem Aloud" (lectures), 1949; "Coast

Calendar" (essays), 1949; "One-Horse Farm" (verse), 1949; "Maine Doings" (essays), 1950; "Apples by Ocean" (verse), 1950. He is also the compiler, with A. M. Witherspoon, of "A Book of Seventeenth Century Prose" and "Seventeenth Century Prose and Poetry."

In 1938, Dr. Coffin was Percy Graeme Turnbull Memorial Lecturer at Johns Hopkins University, and he has since that time been Patten Foundation Lecturer at Indiana University (1941); Samuel Harris Lecturer at Bangor Theological Seminary in 1945; Cole Lecturer at Wheaton College in 1945; Earl Lecturer at the Pacific School of Religion in 1948-1949; and special lecturer at Peabody College, Washington University, Mills College, Southwest Texas State College, Texas State College for Women, Huntingdon College, John B. Stetson University, Wesleyan College, Madison College, Haverford, Randolph-Macon, Mercer, Bucknell, and the Universities of California, Florida, New Mexico, Kentucky, and Georgia. He taught at Corpus Christi Fine Arts Colony in 1948, 1949, and 1950, and was the subject of Robert P. Tristram Coffin Day at his alma mater, Bowdoin College, in 1948.

Dr. Coffin has received the gold medal as National Honor Poet, in 1935; the golden rose of the New England Poetry Society, in 1936; and, as the author of "Strange Holiness," was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry in 1936. He has contributed to many publications in the United States and England, and is the author of articles appearing in the "Dictionary of American Biography" and the "Dictionary of American History."

In 1946 Dr. Coffin was elected a member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters. In 1949 he was made a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and

Sciences. He is a member of the Poetry Society of America, the Society of American Historians, the Modern Language Association, P. E. N., Authors, and the American Branch of the Newcomen Society. His fraternities are Phi Beta Kappa and Zeta Psi. Dr. Coffin is a Congregationalist in his religious faith, and a Republican in his politics.

During World War I, he served with the 72nd Artillery Regiment, American Expeditionary Forces, and held the rank of lieutenant.

On January 22, 1918, Robert Peter Tristram Coffin married Ruth Neal Philip, who died April 5, 1947. They were the parents of four children: 1. Mary-Alice. 2. Margaret Rollins. 3. Robert Peter Tristram, Jr. 4. Richard Neal. Dr. Coffin makes his home in Brunswick, Maine.

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#### **PAYNE, Frederick George**

Frederick George Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, on January 6, 1949 assumed the chief executive office of the state. Governor Payne has had a successful record in business, previously served his state as Commissioner of Finance and Budget Officer, and is also former mayor of the capital city, Augusta. He served in the air corps during World War II, and now holds the rank of lieutenant colonel in the reserves.

Son of Frederick G. and Nellie (Smart) Payne, Governor Payne was born July 24, 1900, at Lewiston, Maine. His father was by profession a printer, but his name became well known in connection with music in Maine, for he was the conductor of Payne's Military Band. Both he and his wife, Nellie (Smart) Payne, are now deceased.

At Lewiston, Frederick George Payne

attended the public schools and graduated from Jordan High School. He then enrolled at the Bentley School of Accounting and Finance, in Boston, Massachusetts. On graduation, he formed his first business connection, with the Maine and New Hampshire Theatres Company, in the capacity of disbursing agent. Thereafter he became manager of the Augusta Theatres Company of Augusta, Maine.

Governor Payne served three two-year terms as mayor of Augusta, holding office from January 1, 1935 until December 31, 1940. In 1940, he first entered the field of public service to the state, accepting appointment as State Commissioner of Finance and State Budget Officer, and holding office until 1942, when he resigned to enter military service in World War II.

When in 1942 Governor Payne enlisted in the United States Army Air Force, he was commissioned a captain. He served throughout the conflict, and since termination of active service has continued on the Air Corps Reserve list, with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

From the time of his return to civilian life, Frederick George Payne was manager of the Waldoboro Garage Company, which has branches in Waldoboro and in Rockland, Maine. He also became manager of the Tri-county Farm Equipment Company of Rockland.

In the gubernatorial campaign of November, 1948, Frederick George Payne was elected Governor of the State of Maine, and took office for the two-year term on January 6, 1949, succeeding Governor Horace Hildreth.

As a veteran, Governor Payne holds membership in the American Legion. He is also a member of the Lions Club of Waldoboro, which is associated with



Lions International. He and his family attend the Congregational Church.

At Waldoboro, Maine, in 1944, Frederick George Payne married Ella Hodgdon, daughter of Mrs. Caroline Hodgdon of that town.

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**LORING, The Rt. Rev. Oliver Leland, D.D.**

The Rt. Rev. Oliver Leland Loring, D.D., Bishop of Maine, finds in that station the culmination of a devoted career in the service of the Episcopal Church. For many years of his ecclesiastical career he served that church in the state of Massachusetts.

Bishop Loring is a son of Richard Tuttle and Mary Amory (Leland) Loring, both of whom are now deceased. His father was rector of St. John's Church in Newtonville, Massachusetts, and there Oliver Leland Loring was born January 5, 1904. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Harvard University in 1926, and graduated from the Episcopal Theological School in 1930. In 1945 Bishop Loring received the degree of Doctor of Divinity honoris causa from Bowdoin College.

He was ordained a deacon in the Episcopal Church in May, 1930, and a priest in May, 1931, in which year he was appointed curate of Grace Church in New Bedford, Massachusetts. He remained until 1933, when he became rector of the Church of the Epiphany, in Dorchester, Massachusetts. In 1936 Bishop Loring returned to Grace Church in New Bedford as its rector. This position he held until 1941. On May 13, of that year, he was consecrated Bishop of Maine. He resides at the Bishop's House, in Portland.

On February 11, 1925, Rt. Rev. Oliver Leland Loring married Elizabeth Brew-

ster, daughter of Charles Osmyn and Elizabeth (Hathaway) Brewster. They are the parents of three children: 1. Elizabeth Loring, born April 29, 1936. 2. Oliver Leland, Jr., born October 27, 1938. 3. Stephen Hathaway, born July 9, 1946.

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**SILLS, Dr. Kenneth Charles Morton**

Dr. Kenneth Charles Morton Sills, president of Bowdoin College, Brunswick, one of the oldest and most widely known of Maine's educational institutions, has to his credit a distinguished career as educator dating from the early years of the century. Dr. Sills has likewise been a notable figure in politics, and among the laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church. He was Democratic candidate for the office of United States Senator in 1916; has been a leader in educators' organizations; and is an author, in the media of both prose and poetry. He has occupied the position of president of Bowdoin since 1918.

Born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, December 5, 1879, Kenneth C. M. Sills is a son of Charles Morton and Elizabeth Head (Ketchum) Sills. The family moved to Portland, Maine, six months after his birth, and there he received his elementary education. Entering Bowdoin College, he graduated from that institution with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the class of 1901, and in that year accepted an appointment as assistant in English at Harvard University. In 1903 he became instructor in English and the classics at Bowdoin and was a tutor in English at Columbia University, New York City, during 1904-1905. Thereafter he took postgraduate studies at Columbia, having already attained his degree of Master of Arts at Harvard in 1903. Subsequent degrees conferred upon Dr. Sills during the course of his career were those

of Doctor of Laws, from the University of Maine, 1916; Bates College, 1918; Dartmouth, 1918; Colby College, 1920; Williams College, 1927; Bowdoin College, 1934; Dalhousie University, 1939; Yale University, 1941; and Tufts College, 1947. He received the degree of Doctor of Letters of Humanity from Boston University in 1949.

Dr. Sills became adjunct professor of Latin at Bowdoin for the college year 1906-1907, and from 1907 to 1946 held the Winkley Professorship in Latin language and literature. He became dean of the college in 1910, acting president during 1917-1918, and assumed the office of president on May 14, 1918.

He was elected president of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in 1926; was a trustee of Wellesley College from 1927 to 1946; is a trustee of Athens College in Athens, Greece, having served as chairman of the board of trustees from 1944 to 1947; and is a trustee of the Carnegie Foundation, serving as chairman of the board from 1939 to 1941. A member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, he was honorary president in 1929-1930, and is also a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

A Democrat in his political views, Dr. Sills was his party's candidate for the United States Senate in 1916. He was a member of the board of visitors of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis from 1917 to 1921, and again during 1934-1935; and was president of the board of the Academy during 1920-1921, and again in 1935. He is a trustee of Waynflete School, Portland, of the Episcopal Theological School, and of the World Peace Foundation. During World War II, Dr. Sills served as New England Regional Member of the War Labor Board. He was a member of the Maine

State Advisory Council of Health and Welfare from 1943 to 1946.

He has long been prominent as a layman in the Protestant Episcopal Church. He served as delegate to the church's world conference at Lausanne, Switzerland, in 1927, and to the world conference at Edinburgh in 1937. Between 1910 and 1949, he was deputy to nine sessions of the General Convention of his church; and he was a member of the National Council of the Episcopal Church from 1940 to 1946.

Dr. Sills is a member of the Dante Society; and his local affiliations are with the Cumberland Club of Portland; the Tavern Club; the Harvard Club of Boston; and the Century Club of New York. He is an honorary member of the Rotary in both Portland and Brunswick. He belongs to the Maine Historical Society, of which organization he served as president from 1922 to 1924. In 1911 Dr. Sills became the author of a volume of verse: "The First American, and Other Poems," and he has also written a number of articles, reviews and addresses, particularly in the educational field.

On November 21, 1918, Dr. Sills married Edith Lansing Koon.

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#### **MORRILL, Charles Sumner**

President of the Burnham and Morrill Company of Portland, Charles Sumner Morrill is a figure of importance in the industrial leadership of Portland, and plays an important part in its banking activities as well. He has been identified with Burnham and Morrill since 1925.

Mr. Morrill is a son of George B. and Margaret (Elwell) Morrill, and was born in Portland on November 4, 1900. He completed his secondary education at Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts and at Taft School, and entered the







*Geo Morris*



*Charles S. Morrill*





Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University as a member of the class of 1925. On graduation, he associated himself with the Burnham and Morrill Company, with which his father had for many years been identified, and worked in various departments, in positions of increasing responsibility. He worked first in the factory, and was later engaged in the sales aspect of the business. Concerning the operations of the firm of Burnham and Morrill, a separate sketch will be found in this volume.

Mr. Morrill succeeded his father in the presidency of the company in 1935, and has held that office since. George B. Morrill, who was born in Portland, September 26, 1869, had headed the concern for some years before his death on September 28, 1934. His wife was also a native of Portland, born January 1, 1873. She died November 7, 1939.

In addition to his presidency of the Burnham and Morrill Company, Charles S. Morrill has played a varied role in the life of his community. He is vice president and director of the Casco Bank and Trust Company of Portland, and a director of the Forest City Motor Company. As a seasoned business man and a leader in the commercial affairs of the city, his counsel is often sought and highly valued. He is a member of the Portland Country Club and the Cumberland Club, the Cloister Club of Yale, and the Yale Chapter of Psi Upsilon, the Yale Club of New York and the Andover Chapter of Kappa Omega Alpha. As diversion from his business responsibilities, he enjoys the outdoor sports, particularly fishing and hunting. He and his family are communicants of the Episcopal Church.

In Minneapolis, Minnesota, July 16, 1935, Charles Sumner Morrill married Mary Finch Andrews, daughter of Se-

wall and Lila (Finch) Andrews, her father having died September 7, 1948. Mrs. Morrill is the mother of a daughter by a previous marriage, Mary McCahill. She is a graduate of Miss Garland's School in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Morrill are the parents of two children: Charles Sumner, 3rd, who was born July 10, 1936, now attending Eaglebrook School, South Deerfield, Massachusetts; and Katherine Calista, who was born August 12, 1941. The family makes its residence at Cumberland Foreside.

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### BURNHAM AND MORRILL COMPANY

The state of Maine was a leader in the packing industry, particularly in the packing of sweet corn, because the soil and climate of the state were well adapted to the growth of this product, and one of the pioneers in the canning field, beginning its operations about a century ago, was the Burnham and Morrill Company, a recognized leader today.

The year 1839 is a logical one with which to begin a history of the food packing industry on the East coast. In that year, Upham S. Treat, of Eastport, first engaged in the packing of salmon. His original headquarters were at St. John, New Brunswick, but in 1841 he moved his operations to Eastport. In that year the firm of Treat, Noble and Company was formed, its membership consisting of Treat, Isaac Noble, Charles Mitchell, and Tristram Halliday. The firm engaged in the packing of lobster and salmon, the latter of which continued to be packed in New Brunswick. Treat withdrew from the firm in 1843, and the business was conducted by Noble and Mitchell. However, the founder afterwards entered the business again, and at this time corn

was first put up for sale. Treat claimed that he sold the first canned salmon in this country in 1841, and put canned lobsters on the market in 1842 or 1843. Noble and Mitchell sold out to William Underwood and Company of Boston about 1845, which firm did not extensively pack corn themselves, but acted as distributor.

The first experiments in cooking were made in a common household boiler, and production was on a small scale. It was Isaac Winslow who had conceived the idea of hermetically sealing green vegetables for preservation during sea voyages, and in 1839, this lover of experimentation began his attempts at canning corn. In 1842 he arranged with a brother-in-law, Caleb Jones, to plant a field of corn for the purposes of experiment. Thus Jones's name makes its first appearance in the industry. Early attempts at cooking the whole ear were abandoned; and the next, and successful step, was the household boiler and the kernels cut from the cob. A disappointingly high proportion of the product spoiled in the early years, but enough was preserved, for a long enough time, to give Winslow confidence. The year 1843 brought experimentation with direct or dry steam, but this failed. It was not until 1853 that the process was sufficiently perfected to warrant applying for a patent. He established his business as a going concern at this period and took his nephew, John Winslow Jones, into partnership with him.

Meantime, in 1849, Henry Evans, afterward of the firm of Evans and Reeves Company of New York and Baltimore, had a packing shop on Custom House Wharf, near Lewis and Brothers, who had come to that location from Boston in 1845. In the same year, Aaron Ring opened a cannery in Portland, engaged in the packing of lobsters, peas, and meats.

Canning was beginning to shape up into an industry.

Next to enter the canning field was Rumery and Burnham, its founders being Samuel Rumery and George Burnham, Jr. The former had learned the trade at Eastport, with Upham Treat, and after a term with Treat, Noble and Company, had joined the firm of Lewis and Company in Portland. He was later associated with Nathan Winslow and Company. After a short period in New York he returned to Portland in 1852, and became associated with Burnham. Their principal business was packing meats, fish, clams, poultry, and lobsters. Corn was added to the line in 1853 or 1854. The firm continued until 1867. In the meantime, Davis and Baxter had entered the field, in 1861, and in connection with Rumery and Burnham established the Portland Packing Company. This company was owned jointly for about four or five years, when Davis and Baxter bought the interests of Rumery and Burnham. At the time of the dissolution of the latter firm in 1867 or 1868, Rumery joined the Portland Packing Company, which was composed of William G. Davis and James P. Baxter. George Burnham re-entered business, taking John E. Burnham and Charles Morrill into association with him to form the firm of Burnham and Morrill. Both John E. Burnham and Charles Morrill had learned the trade with the Portland Packing Company during the time Rumery and Burnham were associated with it.

The new industry had been given impetus by the Civil War, during which time large government contracts extended its operations, to include, with its Maine products, the packing of other foods for which many carloads of raw



materials were brought in each week from the Far West.

During the decade after the Civil War, the firm of Burnham and Morrill realized the possibilities of expansion, and constantly endeavored to develop a wider variety of products. Sweet corn was first packed near Portland. A factory was later established in South Paris, Maine, strategically located in the midst of some of the most fertile farm lands. One by one, other factories were erected, and each was placed under the supervision of superintendents who had "grown up in the business." In 1871, having added succotash and various vegetables to its list, the company realized that great numbers of sea foods were available in the sandy inlets and along the rocky promontories of the Maine coast. Here was an incomparable opportunity for the marketing of preserved shell fish, lobsters, and clam products. Factories were established along the Maine coast and more in Canada, where today the entire output of Burnham and Morrill lobsters are packed at a score of canneries. The Maine coast factories are devoted exclusively to the packing of clam products, prepared from the tender white-shell clams found only in the clean, sandy inlets of the Maine Coast.

The firm of Burnham and Morrill early won awards for its efforts. The American Institute in New York in 1874 awarded the company its highest medal for the excellence of its sweet corn and succotash. At the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia in 1876, another award was received, followed two years later by an international honor, the gold medal awarded in Paris at the Exposition Universelle Internationale of 1876.

The superior quality which resulted in

wide popularity was recognized in foreign markets as early as 1883, when at the International Fisheries Exhibition in London a special medal was awarded the Burnham and Morrill Company for the general excellence of its exhibit of canned sea foods. Thus worldwide recognition began to be accorded the products of this company indigenous to the state of Maine.

By 1892, business had become so extensive that in the interests of a unified policy and purpose the firm was incorporated, under the name it still bears, by George Burnham, John Burnham, Charles S. Morrill, Perez Burnham, and Josiah Burnham. A new and roomy factory was built by the firm in 1912, and has since been several times augmented in size. Wharfage facilities have been increased by the enlargement of the modern fish house, additional buildings have been erected for the experimentation upon new sea foods and other food products, and a large, modern warehouse built. Today, the plant of the Burnham and Morrill Company, located on the water's edge, is one of the industrial showplaces of the state. Many visitors come each year to admire the efficiency and cleanliness of the plant: the kitchens and packing rooms, the ideal working conditions of the employees.

In addition to the sea foods and canned corn previously mentioned, the Burnham and Morrill Company has proven itself an innovator on several occasions. It revised the out-of-date method of preparing codfish for market. The old salt codfish, in its tough, leathery strips, accumulating dust, and which needed an all-night soaking before use, gave way to the present "B&M Fish Flakes," choice white-meat sections of codfish and haddock, freshly cooked. It was in large measure the suc-

cess of this product that necessitated the modern waterfront factory.

Another innovation has been genuine New England oven-baked beans, whose claim to popularity is based on their departure from the hastily prepared product flavored with an inappropriate tomato sauce, which B&M baked beans have replaced in public favor. Increased sales throughout the country definitively indicate that New England baked beans should adhere to the original rich molasses and brown sugar of long tradition. The company is going ahead with an amazing variety of canned goods: deviled lobster; Indian pudding; and Maine Corn Relish, which is blended from sweet corn, peppers, celery, and other ingredients. Meat stew was added recently as a separate line, packed under government inspection. With the firm of Burnham and Morrill Company, "know-how" has definitely continued to increase with the years.

The Burnham and Morrill Company is at present headed by Charles S. Morrill, president (q.v.).

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#### **SMITH, Margaret Chase**

Representing the State of Maine in the United States Senate, and former Congresswoman from the Second District, Margaret Chase Smith has become in recent months one of the best-known figures in the Washington scene. She has been in the nation's capital as a legislator for ten years, but still calls Skowhegan her home.

Mrs. Smith is a native of that place, and was born Margaret Chase on December 14, 1897, daughter of George Emery and Carrie (Murray) Chase. She graduated from Skowhegan High School, and began her career as a teacher there. Later she made her acquaintance with the newspaper field, on the staff of the "Inde-

pendent Reporter." She has held executive positions (1928-1930) with the Daniel E. Cummings Company and the New England Process Company. She holds the degrees of Master of Arts from Colby College, and Doctor of Laws from Wilson College, Coe College, Alabama College, Smith College, and the University of Maine.

On May 14, 1930, she married Clyde H. Smith, who at the time of his death in 1940 was a member of the Seventy-sixth Congress of the United States. Mrs. Smith was elected to that congress on June 3, 1940, to fill the unexpired term of her husband, and was re-elected to the Seventy-seventh, Seventy-eighth, Seventy-ninth and Eightieth Congresses, from the Second District of the State of Maine, holding her seat from 1941 to 1949. In 1948, she was elected to the United States Senate by a record-breaking majority, her term ending January 3, 1955.

In 1943, Mrs. Smith was placed on the House of Representatives Naval Affairs Committee. In April, 1944, she served as one of thirteen advisers to the U. S. Government Delegation at the International Labor Conference meeting in Philadelphia. During World War II, she was a member of the only Congressional Committee to ever draw the official commendation of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt—the House Naval Affairs Subcommittee on Congested Areas. As the Chairman of the House Armed Services Medical Subcommittee, Mrs. Smith had the distinction of being the first Member of Congress to force the unification of legislation requested by the Army and the Navy.

She is acknowledged to be the outstanding proponent of Reserve legislation. While she is a champion for the



women, she is no feminist for she believes that a woman's viewpoint should be objective and free of any emphasis on feminine interest. Mrs. Smith was assigned by the Armed Services Committee for an inspection trip through European countries in the fall of 1947. Previously in 1944, she made an inspection of all Pacific bases of the United States. The Women's National Press Club gave Margaret Chase Smith their Politics Achievement Award for 1948. This award was bestowed for the public-spirited service she has given the country as a member of the House of Representatives.

In winning the primary election for United States Senator, Mrs. Smith received more votes than the combined total of her three opponents, none of whom had ever been defeated before, one being the Governor of the State and another a former Governor. In the general election for United States Senator, Mrs. Smith set two new records—highest percentage majority and the greatest total vote majority in the history of Maine.

On January 3, 1949, Mrs. Smith established another first. She is the first and only woman in the history of our country to serve in both the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate. Her amazing achievement was summed up by the Associated Press when it named her the 1948 "Woman of the Year."

On January 6, 1949, she was named to the Republican Policy Committee (first new member ever to be named). Assigned to District of Columbia and Expenditures in the Executive Departments Committees, she is a member of the Investigating Subcommittee of the Executive Expenditures Committee.

Mrs. Smith was chosen "Woman of the Year" by the United Press Radio

Editors, November, 1949, as "Woman of the Year in Politics" by Associated Press, 1949, and by the Mutual Broadcasting System as one of the ten Americans who did the most for the welfare of the United States and its people, 1949.

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#### ROBERTS, Kenneth

There are perhaps three or four authors in the field of American creative fiction whose works, when published, are assured high place among best-sellers. Of these, Kenneth Roberts has distinguished himself as a writer of novels substantially grounded in the early history of the northeastern states. Mr. Roberts has been a resident of Maine from birth, and he calls it home not alone through circumstance but from choice. The creator of such memorable characters of fiction as Cap Huff and the indomitable Rogers of the Rangers has also done honor to his state in "Trending into Maine," and earned the gratitude of Maine by his articles, in the "Saturday Evening Post," regarding Professor Arnold J. Toynbee's singular assertion that Maine is a state inhabited only by fishermen, watermen and hunters.

A native of Kennebunk, Kenneth Roberts was born in the old Storer Mansion, December 8, 1885, son of Frank Lewis and Grace Mary (Tibbets) Roberts. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Cornell in 1908, and while at that New York State college was editor in chief, from 1905 to 1908, of its student paper, the "Cornell Widow." Beginning his career as a journalist, he was reporter and special writer for the "Boston Post" from 1909 to 1917, and also conducted a humorous column for that paper. During the last year of this connection, he was also a member of the editorial staff of "Puck," and from 1915 to 1918 was

a regular contributor to the old "Life" magazine in New York.

During World War I, and for a short time afterwards, he served with the Siberian Expeditionary Force as a captain in the Intelligence Section. On his return to civilian life, he was made European, Washington and roving correspondent of "The Saturday Evening Post." This position he held until 1937, by which time he had long been established as an author.

His books are: "Europe's Morning After" (1921); "Why Europe Leaves Home" (1922); "Sun Hunting" (1923); "The Collector's Whatnot," (with Booth Tarkington and Hugh McNair Kahler) (1923); "Black Magic" (1924); "Concentrated New England" (1924); "Florida Loafing" (1925); "Florida" (1926); "Antiquamania" (1928); "Arundel" (1930); "The Lively Lady" (1931); "Rabble in Arms" (1933); "Captain Caution" (1934); "For Authors Only and Other Gloomy Essays" (1935); "It Must be Your Tonsils" (1936); "Northwest Passage" (1937); "Trending into Maine" (1938); "March to Quebec" (1938); "Good Maine Food" (with Marjorie Mosser) (1939); "Oliver Wiswell" (1940); "The Kenneth Roberts Reader" (1945); "Lydia Bailey" (1946); "Moreau de St. Méry's American Journey" (with Anna M. Roberts) (1947); "I Wanted to Write" (1949); "Henry Cross and His Dowsing Rod" (1951); "Reviews and Consequences" (1951). His novels have been widely circulated in England, France, Brazil, Argentina, Germany, Italy, Spain, Belgium, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania, Australia and Canada.

He is a member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters and of the Ends of the Earth Club. His fraternity is Chi

Psi (Cornell). Other societies, Kappa Beta Phi (Cornell); Phi Beta Kappa (honorary-Dartmouth). He holds honorary degrees of Doctor of Letters from Dartmouth (1934); Colby (1935); Middlebury (1938); Bowdoin (1938) and Northeastern (1945). He is also an honorary member of the Society of the Cincinnati in the State of New Jersey.

On February 14, 1911, he married Anna S. Mosser. They make their home at Kennebunkport.

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#### **BIXLER, Dr. Julius Seelye**

Dr. Julius Seelye Bixler, President of Colby College at Waterville since 1942, has a notable educational background, and has been a member of the faculties of American colleges for thirty-five years.

Son of James Wilson and Elizabeth James (Seelye) Bixler, Dr. Bixler was born at New London, Connecticut, April 4, 1894. His father was a Congregational minister. Dr. Bixler graduated from Bulkeley School in New London in 1912, and entered Amherst College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1916 and that of Master of Arts four years later. His degree of Doctor of Philosophy was granted by Yale University in 1924; and he had undertaken graduate studies at Harvard during 1923-1924. Dr. Bixler attended the University of Freiburg, Germany, in 1928-1929, and the University of Zurich, Switzerland, in 1938. He has received the honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity from Amherst College in 1939; Doctor of Humane Laws from Union College in 1947; Doctor of Laws from the University of Maine in 1948; the Doctor of Laws degree from Brown University the same year; and the degree of Doctor of Civil Law from Acadia University in 1949.

Dr. Bixler's career as educator has



largely been associated with the fields of philosophy and theology. His first appointment, accepted on graduation with the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Amherst, was as instructor in Latin and English at the American College, Madura, India, which he held during 1916-1917. He was instructor in philosophy at the American University, Beirut, Syria, from 1920 to 1922. In 1924 Dr. Bixler joined the faculty of Smith College, holding successively the positions of assistant professor, associate professor, and professor of religion and Biblical literature; and he remained at Smith until 1933. From 1933 until 1942, Dr. Bixler was Bussey Professor of Theology at Harvard University.

From this creditable station in the educational world, Dr. Bixler came in 1942 to Waterville to accept appointment as president of Colby College, which office he has held since that time. His fraternal affiliations are with Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Sigma Rho, and Phi Beta Kappa. He was a member of the Faculty Club at Harvard University from 1933 to 1942, and was its president during 1941-1942. Dr. Bixler belongs also to the Union Club in Boston. In religious faith he is a Congregationalist.

He delivered the Ingersoll Lecture at Harvard in 1931, later published as "Immortality and the Present World," the Lowell Lectures in Boston in 1937, published as "Religion for Free Minds," and the Dwight Harrington Terry Lectures at Yale in 1945, published as "Conversation with an Unrepentant Liberal." He is also the author of "Religion in the Philosophy of William James," and was the Ayer Lecturer at Colgate-Rochester Divinity School in 1947, and Lyman Lecturer at Sweet Briar College in 1948.

At Westfield, Massachusetts, September 21, 1918, Dr. Julius Seelye Bixler mar-

ried Mary Harrison Thayer, daughter of Hiram Harrison and Harriet Armitage (Carpenter) Thayer. To Dr. and Mrs. Bixler have been born four children: 1. Mary Harriet, born July 11, 1921, now married to Thomas J. Naughton. 2. Elizabeth Seelye, born October 3, 1923. 3. Martha Harrison, born August 9, 1927. 4. Nancy Emerson, born January 30, 1930.

#### WYMAN, William Frizzell

During a career spent with the Central Maine Power Company of Augusta, William F. Wyman has advanced to the presidency of that organization, one of the most vital of the state's utilities. Mr. Wyman is also president of the Union Water Power Company, is a corporator of the Development Credit Corporation of Maine, holds directorships in several commercial and welfare organizations, and is a prominent figure in banking and in engineering organizations.

He is a native of Waterville, and was born September 11, 1902, son of Walter Scott and Alice (Bartlett) Wyman. His father likewise was a public utility executive. William F. Wyman completed his secondary education at Cony High School in Augusta, from which he graduated in 1918. He then attended Phillips Andover Academy, class of 1919, and was in residence at Harvard College from that year until 1923.

Ever since the completion of his academic education, Mr. Wyman has been with the Central Maine Power Company. He was engaged in power construction for that public utility in 1923, became district superintendent in 1925, and distribution engineer in 1927. In 1928 Mr. Wyman was made rate engineer, and he was advanced to division manager in 1930, and to assistant to the general manager in 1934. In 1942 he became general

superintendent; succeeded to the vice presidency in 1945 while continuing to hold the responsibilities of general superintendent; and was elected president of the organization in 1947, the office he has since held.

Mr. Wyman has played an active part in civic affairs. Since 1931 he has served as treasurer of the Augusta General Hospital, and he has been a director of the Associated Hospital Service of Maine since 1947. During World War II he served on the Selective Service Board and the Civilian Defense Committee. Mr. Wyman became a director of the Edison Electric Institute in 1948, to serve until 1951. In 1948 he was elected to the presidency of the Union Water Power Company. Long a conspicuous figure in the banking field, he has been a director of the First National Granite Bank of Augusta since 1925, and its vice president, as well as a director, since 1948. In 1949 he became a corporator of the Development Credit Corporation of Maine.

Mr. Wyman is a Republican in his political beliefs. He is a member of the Augusta Chamber of Commerce, the Cumberland Club of Portland, the Abnaki Club of Augusta, and the Algonquin Club of Boston. In addition, he is identified with engineering bodies: the Newcomen Society of England and the Maine Association of Engineers. He is a member of the lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and belongs to the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In religious affiliation, Mr. Wyman is a Congregationalist.

At Hallowell, May 16, 1931, William F. Wyman married Marjorie Safford, daughter of George A. and Genevieve M. Safford. Mr. and Mrs. Wyman have three children: 1. Joan Hidden, a stepdaughter, born August 13, 1924. 2. Judith Hidden

Lanius, also a stepchild, born April 21, 1926. She married P. Baxter Lanius, Jr. 3. William Frizzell, Jr., born October 9, 1932.

The family make their home at 94 Winthrop Street, Augusta.

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#### **BEAN, Leon L.**

The sports goods store of Leon L. Bean, in Freeport, Maine, is a nationally known institution. Begun on a modest scale by an active, outdoor-loving resident of the Pine Tree State, perhaps as much because he is fond of fishing and hunting as because of interest in commerce, its growth has been phenomenal. It does a two-million-dollar business annually: chiefly through mail-order channels, to every state in the union and even beyond the bounds of the continental United States. It has earned the praise of sportsmen, from African-big-game calibre to the man who simply likes to hunt duck on his day off, and from such literary figures as Elbert Hubbard II, and the Maine-boosting Kenneth Roberts to the sports world's Jack Dempsey and Babe Ruth. His customers, who maintain touch with Mr. Bean and his unusual store through the medium of an annual catalog, are apt upon first acquaintance to believe they have made a private discovery: a man who really understands the outdoorsman's needs, and who always has the right answer to their problems, based on personal experience. There have been enough of these "private discoveries," however, to have built a store and warehouse of sixty-three thousand square feet of floor space, to have given the Freeport post office eighty percent of its total volume of mail, and to employ more than a hundred persons in attending to the clerical, shipping and stock problems of a growing industry.





*L. L. Bean*



Born in 1872, in Greenwood, Maine, Leon Leonwood Bean comes by his liking for the outdoors life quite naturally. His father was a farmer, who, however, was much more enthusiastic about his avocation of trading, or what is known among Down-Easters as "dickering." Hence an appreciation for the commercial faculties also developed early in the lad—who was then called Lennie. The family moved to Milton in his early years, but remained on farm acreage until his maturity. He developed an early interest in trapping, and his many expeditions into the Maine woods provide the experience from which spring his ideas for the hunter's and fisherman's well-being.

The mail-order business has always thrived in the state of Maine. For some time toward the end of the last century, Portland may be said to have brought out the possibilities of such trade, and to have become at that period the mail-order capital of America. But Mr. Bean's present-day success may be no less the fruit of his enjoyment of hunting than of his commercial environment. By about 1910 he had become the owner of a small men's furnishing store in Freeport; but in the course of a hunting trip learned for himself—painfully—the inadequacies of existing sportsmen's footwear. He extemporized a solution, and the next day wore on his journey a pair of old rubbers under which were three pairs of woolen socks. The next step was the addition of elk-hide tops to the rubbers; and the resulting product was one in which he, as a dealer in men's furnishings, saw great commercial possibilities.

About this shoe the mail order business was built. Called the Maine Hunting Shoe, it is known everywhere where there are hunters. Although his catalog has grown from a four-page folder, offer-

ing shoes alone, to a slim illustrated volume of nearly a hundred pages, Mr. Bean has never become complacent, has never become a desk-bound business executive. The Maine Hunting Shoe was not the last innovation to spur his business along. He spends a large part of each year hunting and fishing, and discovers for himself what his colleagues of the out-of-doors most need. He developed the duck-hunting coat, with cuffs turning down to form a muff—assuring at once comfort in cold weather, and speedy action when a duck appears.

The mail-order business of L. L. Bean, Incorporated, is now approaching its fortieth year. For a specialized line, it has developed an almost unbelievable volume of trade, while still retaining the country-store methods, and building its widespread goodwill through its friendly, folksy approach. The annual catalog contains large slices of L. L. Bean's advice, recommendations, and shop talk, spiced with the enthusiasm of a man whose chief interest in life is hunting, fishing, and the paraphernalia which accompany them. Whether he is advising hunters not to throw away leather-top rubbers, or advertising a hunting jacket or "double and twist" hunting pants, because he has tried and proven them himself, Mr. Bean's words of experience are highly valued and generally followed. He has in recent years developed a line of goods ranging far beyond sportswear. Fishing tackle he stocks in all its varied forms. There is a Bean's Special Pipe Tobacco since "most hunters and fishermen smoke," and a high proportion of these prefer the companionable pipe. Blankets are stocked, and every type of mechanical device and tool which a sportsman could conceivably need on a two-weeks' trip. The further variety, and amazing adapt-



ability, of Mr. Bean's program for sportsmen, is thus expressed in a feature article on Mr. Bean, appearing in the "Saturday Evening Post" of December 14, 1946, and written by Arthur Bartlett:

. . . L. L. decided he had never had a hunting coat with enough pockets in it, so he had one made with a total of seven pockets, including a double back that made the most capacious pocket of all—plenty of stowage space, at last, for shells, lunch, pipe, tobacco, license and game. And noticing, some years later, that he was having trouble lighting matches in wet woods, he had a match-scratching device incorporated in the coat. . . . Bothered another year by the difficulty of keeping minnows alive and lively on fishing trips, he figured out a combination minnow cage and canvas bait pail. . . . Again, thinking he would like to carry an extra fly-rod tip along without having to worry about one more loose piece of equipment, he hit upon the idea of putting a hollow handle on a landing net, so the fly-rod tip would fit into it.

Thus Mr. Bean is no less of an inventor than sportman and business man. To his advantage as a retailer is the fact that he is in constant, intimate touch with the world of those to whom he sells. As expressed in the article mentioned above, "L. L. sells only what he likes, and likes everything he sells, and wants everyone to know it."

When queried regarding his career, Mr. Bean makes little reference to club and fraternity life. His business, plus the outdoor activities which are so closely related to it as to be a vital part, consume most of his time and energy, and as he expresses it, "My job's not work! The days ain't long enough!" The worldwide fraternity of hunting and fishing enthusiasts affords sufficient outlet for the clubman in his nature. He is still a dominant force in the management aspects of his business, still calls his board meetings, is still as active as any of his hundred employees.

Though never interested in public office, Mr. Bean's influence is respected in civic affairs. On one occasion, when the federal government offered to furnish Freeport with a new eighty-five-thousand-dollar post office, Mr. Bean suggested that twenty-five thousand dollars of his own, invested in the existing post office on the ground floor of his establishment, would serve quite as well.

Mr. Bean is also an author, having produced a book entitled "Hunting, Fishing and Camping," sold by his firm at a dollar the copy. It covers such points as where to go and how many should make up a hunting party, as well as the details of equipment and procedure. The catalog, of which over three thousand copies are sent out annually, is itself no small job of book production, and much of it is of necessity written by Mr. Bean, for it is to him that the sportsmen look for their buying tips.

Leon Leonwood Bean is the father of three children, two sons and a daughter. Residing in Freeport, Mr. Bean's two sons, and son-in-law, have an interest in the firm of L. L. Bean, Incorporated.

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#### **BREWSTER, Hon. Owen**

The Hon. Owen Brewster, United States Senator from Maine, has represented the people of his state in both houses of Congress, and has also been Governor of Maine. A lawyer by training, his career in public office is a long one, dating from his period of World War I service. Mr. Brewster is now seated in the Senate, Eighty-first Congress, his term extending until January, 1953.

A native of Dexter, Owen Brewster was born February 22, 1888, son of William E. and Carrie S. (Bridges) Brewster. He received his early education in the

public schools of Dexter, and was graduated from high school there in 1905. Four years later Mr. Brewster was graduated from Bowdoin College, and he completed his legal training in the Harvard Law School, from which he was graduated in 1913.

He began his career as an educator, becoming principal of the Castine High School in 1910, and he continued to serve as a member of the Portland school committee after his entrance upon the practice of law and public life, 1915-1923. Admitted to the Maine bar in 1913, he began practice in Portland, and four years later was elected to represent his district in the Maine Legislature. He served during the 1917-1918 term, and was renominated, but resigned to enter military service. With the rank of private he entered the Field Artillery Central Officers' Training School at Camp Zachary Taylor. He held successively the ranks of private, second lieutenant, and captain in the Infantry, and he eventually became regimental adjutant in the 3rd Infantry, Maine National Guard.

On resuming civilian life, Hon. Owen Brewster was returned to the Maine Legislature, 1921-1922, and was later elected State Senator, 1923-1924. In 1925 he was elected Governor of Maine, serving in the state's chief executive office until 1929. During his term, he was chairman of the Governors' Conference during 1926-1927. On September 10, 1934, he was elected to represent his district in the House of Representatives, Seventy-fourth United States Congress, and he was re-elected on September 14, 1936, and on September 12, 1938. His Third Maine District was comprised of Aroostook, Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis, and Washington counties. In 1941 he was

elected to the United States Senate, for the term ending January 3, 1947; and he was re-elected for the current term ending January 3, 1953.

Senator Brewster is a Christian Scientist in his religious faith.

On April 20, 1915, Owen Brewster married Dorothy Foss of Portland, and they are the parents of a son, Charles F., born May 8, 1916.

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### **CHASE, Mary Ellen**

Representing her native state as a leader in the world of letters, Mary Ellen Chase has for many years been producing novels, stories and essays of distinction. She is prominently identified also with the field of education, and holds a number of doctor's degrees. In her work, Dr. Chase has turned considerable attention to instruction in the difficult art of writing. She has held a professorship in English Literature at Smith College since 1929.

Born in Blue Hill, February 24, 1887, Mary Ellen Chase is a daughter of Edward Everett and Edith (Lord) Chase. She received her degree of Bachelor of Arts from the University of Maine in 1909, and in 1927 received the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters from that university. She has also received the degrees of Master of Arts from the University of Minnesota (1918); Doctor of Philosophy (1922) from the same university; Doctor of Letters from Bowdoin College in 1933 and from Northeastern University in 1948; Doctor of Humane Letters from Colby College in 1937; and Doctor of Letters from Smith College in 1949.

Dr. Chase began her educational career as instructor in English at the University of Minnesota, remaining on that faculty from 1918 to 1922 as instructor, and from



1922 to 1926 as assistant professor. She was associate professor of English Literature at Smith College from 1926 to 1929, and has been professor of English Literature since that time.

She is the author of the following books: "His Birthday" (1915); "The Girl from the Bighorn Country" (1916); "Virginia of Elk Creek Valley" (1917); "Mary Christmas" (1926); "Uplands" (1927); "Thomas Hardy from Serial to Novel" (1927); "The Writing of Informal Essays" (1928); "The Golden Asse and Other Essays" (1929); "Constructive Theme Writing" (1929); "The Silver Shell" (1930); "A Goodly Heritage" (1932); "Mary Peters" (1934); "Silas Crockett" (1935); "This England" (1936); "Dawn in Lyonesse" (1938); "A Goodly Fellowship" (1939); "Windswept" (1941); "The Bible and the Common Reader" (1944); "Jonathan Fisher: Maine Parson" (1948); "The Plum Tree" (1949); "Abby Aldrich Rockefeller" (1950).

Many of Dr. Chase's essays, reviews and stories have appeared in such magazines as "The Atlantic Monthly," "Harper's," "Good Housekeeping," "The Yale Review," and the supplement section of "The New York Times" and the "New York Herald Tribune." Dr. Chase is a member of Phi Beta Kappa fraternity, and is a communicant of the Episcopal Church. She now makes her home in Northampton, Massachusetts, and spends her summers at "Windswept" on Petit-Manan Point, Maine.

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**HAUCK, Arthur Andrew, Ph.D., LL.D.**

Arthur Andrew Hauck, Ph. D., LL. D. has been president of the University of Maine at Orono since 1934, and has devoted the greater part of his career to educational administration.

Dr. Hauck was born in Springfield, Minnesota, February 10, 1893, and is a son of John and Ernestine (Rockzien) Hauck. His father, who followed the calling of clergyman, served as a Union soldier during the Civil War. Mr. Hauck received his secondary school education in Minnesota and California and was graduated from Reed College, Portland, Oregon, in 1915 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Some years later, after his appointments in secondary schools, at Antioch College, and in Hawaii, he completed his requirements for the degree of Master of Arts, which he received at Teachers College, Columbia University, New York City, in 1929. His degree of Doctor of Philosophy was also granted by Columbia University, in 1932. He has been awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, by several colleges and universities in subsequent years.

Dr. Hauck's first teaching appointment was as principal of elementary and secondary schools in Idaho and in Ohio, from 1915 until 1921. During these years also, he participated in World War I, holding a noncommissioned officer's rating in the United States Army. In 1921 Dr. Hauck accepted appointment as assistant dean of Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, remaining there for one year. The next year he became president of Punahou School in Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, which post he retained until 1928. From 1929 to 1931, he was assistant to the president of Vassar College. He then was appointed dean of Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania, in which position he remained until coming to the University of Maine to accept his present post.

Becoming president of the state university at Orono in 1934, Dr. Hauck took

his place among Maine's leading educators in administrative capacity. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi fraternities. In religious faith, Dr. Hauck is a Congregationalist.

At Boise, Idaho, August 31, 1916, Arthur Andrew Hauck married Gladys Reid Hubert, daughter of Howard and Sarah (Barnett) Hubert. Dr. and Mrs. Hauck are the parents of two children: 1. Hubert Howard, born June 6, 1917. 2. Margaret Ernestine, born August 15, 1919.

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#### MAINE POTATO GROWERS, INC.

Maine Potato Growers, Inc., was organized on June 8, 1932 at a meeting of potato growers in Presque Isle with representatives of the Maine Extension Service and Federal Farm Board. It was an hour of need for the potato growers of Aroostook County as the depression was already in full bloom with potatoes, at thirty-five cents to fifty cents a barrel, meeting few takers at disorganized, dollar-starved metropolitan markets.

On the instigation of federal and state agricultural officials and industry leaders of Maine, a blueprint was drawn for a co-operative marketing organization to stabilize production and set up a modern system of potato merchandising that would help to increase returns to potato growers of Maine and protect them against unnecessary financial losses.

Five local associations, the Presque Isle Potato Growers Association, Monticello Potato Growers Association, Caribou Potato Growers Association, Katahdin Potato Growers Association, and Fort Fairfield Potato Growers Association were formed and consolidated into a central co-operative to be known as Maine Potato Growers, Inc. A small subscription of capital stock was placed

with the members, and a board of ten directors elected, who, in turn, elected D. W. Haines, president; Milton E. Smith, vice president; Frank W. Hussey, treasurer; and W. R. Thompson, clerk. Some years later the local associations were dissolved and membership in the co-operative opened to all growers of Maine. Fort Fairfield was selected as the headquarters for the association. In 1934 the offices were moved to Presque Isle.

The first year of operation showed a total of only seventy-seven members, and shipments of eleven hundred eighty-four carloads of potatoes. By 1937 membership had increased to one hundred eighty-six, and potato shipments were up to three thousand seventy-six cars. In 1943 the organization really began to hit its stride, shipping ten thousand six hundred six carloads of seed and tablestock. Today the co-operative has around two thousand members, and annual shipments of over twelve thousand carloads of potatoes, making it the largest potato marketing co-operative in the United States. Maine Potato Growers is represented in terminal markets by the American National Co-operative Exchange and ships "Blue Goose" and "Top Tater" brand potatoes to twenty-eight states and several foreign countries.

But all is not potatoes with Maine Potato Growers, Inc. Since 1943 the co-operative has maintained across-the-board operations for servicing the purchasing and marketing needs of all growers in Maine. A Maine Potato Growers Warehouse Department assists many small growers in Aroostook County by maintaining track storage for about 450,000 barrels of potatoes. The co-operative has Farm Supply and Farm Machinery Departments, for servicing all types of agricultural enterprises in Maine, with



branch outlets and dealers at strategic points throughout the state, and the Maine Potato Bag Company at Caribou manufactures over forty per cent of the burlap and prints a large proportion of the paper bags used by potato growers in Maine.

Other activities in addition to the regular goods and services of the Farm Supply and Machinery Departments include a spray paint division, petroleum division, large, modern repair shop for farm machinery and trucks, and a co-operative program with Air Agriculture Service for helicopter dusting of potatoes. Recent additions to the co-operative are a dust mill in Presque Isle and a small feed mill at Island Falls for the manufacture of home grown beef and dairy feeds.

During the 1948-49 fiscal year, Maine Potato Growers, Inc. operated on a business volume of \$27,008,486.73, \$18,577,727.19 of which was made up in marketing and sales of potatoes.

The co-operative has a board of fifteen directors elected by members at the Annual Meeting on the third Friday in August: Frank W. Hussey, Presque Isle; Milton E. Smith, Presque Isle; Fred Hagan, Houlton; Norman Guy, Fort Kent; Leo Flewelling, Crouseville; Albert C. Anderson, Fort Fairfield; Wendell Blackstone, Caribou; S. J. Hartley, Bridgewater; F. C. Bradford, Patten; Lester Allen, Masardis; Ernest Chasse, Madawaska; Ralph Tilley, Ashland; Harley Welch, Mapleton; F. M. Dudley, Mapleton; and O. H. Lovely, Westfield.

The present officers are Frank W. Hussey, president; Milton E. Smith, vice president; Harold E. Bryant, treasurer, and George V. Blanchard, secretary. H. E. Bryant is general manager of the association and C. G. McIntire assistant general manager.

#### **CLIFFORD, Judge John David, Jr.**

Presiding over the United States District Court of the District of Maine, Judge John David Clifford, Jr., brings to the bench a sound and ample experience in private legal practice in Lewiston, and an excellent record of over thirteen years' duration as United States District Attorney. Judge Clifford has also served one term in the House of Representatives of the State of Maine. This well balanced and conspicuous career places him in the forefront among members of the bench and bar in his state, and he is an active member of their professional associations.

Judge Clifford was born in Lewiston, May 15, 1887, son of John D. and Kate P. (Sullivan) Clifford. His father was a member of the contracting firm of Bearce and Clifford of Lewiston, with which well-known organization he remained associated until the time of his retirement.

Attending the public schools of his native city, John David Clifford, Jr., graduated from the high school there in 1906, and entered Bowdoin College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1910. His legal studies were pursued at Georgetown University Law School, where he was granted his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1913. Admitted to the bar of the state of Maine in that year, he entered the general practice of law in Lewiston, in association with his brother, William H. Clifford, under the designation of Clifford and Clifford. This partnership was continued for thirty-four years, or until March 25, 1947, when John David Clifford was appointed by President Truman as judge of the United States District Court for the District of Maine. In December, 1933





*C. L. Pike*



Mr. Clifford had been appointed United States Attorney for Maine.

Earlier in his career, from 1915 to 1917, Judge Clifford represented his district for one term in the Maine House of Representatives.

He is a member of the American Bar Association, the Maine Bar Association, and the Androscoggin County Bar Association, and is locally affiliated with the Portland Rotary Club and the Cumberland Club of Portland. Of Catholic faith, Judge Clifford attends St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in Lewiston, and is a member of the Lewiston Lodge of the Knights of Columbus.

At Albion, Michigan, July 14, 1915, John David Clifford, Jr., married Lucile Smith, daughter of former Congressman J. M. C. Smith, of Charlotte, Michigan, and Lena (Parkhurst) Smith. To Judge and Mrs. Clifford have been born two children: 1. Jeanne, born in Lewiston on March 22, 1916. She is a graduate of Lewiston High School and of Georgian Court College in New Jersey. Jeanne Clifford married Thomas Edward Delahanty, on October 10, 1942. He is an attorney in Lewiston, and served with the Federal Bureau of Investigation during World War II. Mr. and Mrs. Delahanty are the parents of two children: i. Thomas Edward, Jr., born June 6, 1945. ii. John David, born March 26, 1948. 2. John David, III, born June 29, 1920, a graduate of Lewiston High School and of Bowdoin College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1942. His legal education was obtained at Harvard Law School, where he received his Bachelor of Laws degree in October, 1948, and he was admitted to the Maine Bar in February, 1949. He is associated in the practice of law with William H. Clifford, in Lewiston under

the old firm name of Clifford & Clifford. John David Clifford, III, served in the United States Coast Guard during World War II, training at the Coast Guard Academy at New London, Connecticut, where he earned the rank of ensign. He is now a full lieutenant in the Coast Guard reserves.

Judge Clifford's offices are in the Federal Building in Portland, and his family make their home in Lewiston.

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### PIKE, Chester Lincoln

No history of the development of Maine's natural resources could be written without place being given to Chester Lincoln Pike and his son, Frank Avery Pike, of Lubec. The older man was a pioneer in the sardine industry, one of the original packers of this fish on the Maine coast. He was largely the organizer of the Seaboard Packing Company, of which he was president to the time of his passing. His activities have been continued by his son, who now heads this and other companies in the utilization of the sardine. Both men have been legislators, community leaders and have enjoyed raising blooded cattle.

Chester Lincoln Pike was born at Lubec, in 1865, and never found it necessary to go elsewhere to find opportunities that engaged his best activities. He was educated in local schools and Gray's Business College, and at an early age operated a sardine plant, one of the first two established in this section of Maine. He remained with the business down through the many changes in the industry, during good and bad financial conditions in the country. He became associated with various concerns, filling important offices, eventually becoming president and chief stockholder of the Seaboard Packing

Company, with plants at Robbinston and Portland, and with large interest in the former Booth Fisheries plant at Machiasport. He likewise was senior partner of the Cobscook Fish Company, at North Lubec.

Constructive public service was a feature of the way of life of Chester L. Pike. He was a former member of the Maine Legislature, representing the Lubec district, and he filled capably many town offices, including that of selectman. Fraternally he was affiliated with the Eastern Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and also with Lubec Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, as a leading farmer and stockman who once possessed one of the finest herds in the state.

In pursuing so closely his numerous activities, Mr. Pike failed to conserve his physical resources, and his death on April 21, 1936, was both unexpected and deeply regretted by the host of friends and acquaintances. To his character, achievements and personality, a legion of folk from all walks of life paid sincere tribute.

Chester Lincoln Pike was survived by his wife, Lottie L. (Avery) Pike, one son, Frank Avery Pike (q.v.), and a daughter, Doris Pike.

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#### **PIKE, Frank Avery**

From college Frank Avery Pike, of Lubec, entered the sardine packing industry in Maine, and has remained with it to become president of the large Seaboard Packing Company, and vice president of the Associated Fish Products Company, both of Eastport, as well as an officer in several kindred enterprises. He is very much a man of the present century, both as regards birth and ideas, and knows what it has meant to be in business through periods of prosperity and depres-

sion, the stress of World War II, and the rehabilitation of enterprises that followed its end. His executive abilities are well recognized; he serves Lubec and the state in public offices, and manages to find time to raise Hereford beef cattle and to enjoy life while making a livelihood.

Born in Lubec, on August 9, 1901, Frank Avery Pike is the son of Chester Lincoln and Lottie L. (Avery) Pike. His father, whose record appears above, was a pioneer and notable figure in the sardine industry over a long period. After preparing for higher education in the Lubec High School and Phillips-Exeter Academy, Frank Avery Pike matriculated at Bowdoin College, in 1920, and was graduated with the class of 1924, a Bachelor of Arts. He participated in varied campus activities and was pledged to Psi Upsilon fraternity. His interest in his alma mater has not waned, and as a loyal alumnus he plans to send his young son to Phillips-Exeter and Bowdoin.

The possession of an Arts degree did not prevent Mr. Pike from engaging in the sardine trade in his home town of Lubec, and for a number of years he served a hard apprenticeship under the tutelage and critical observation of his elders. In 1932 his father, Chester L. Pike, and he, organized the Seaboard Packing Company, with plants in Lubec and headquarters at Eastport. This is one of the large corporations in the sardine packing industry, employing about nine hundred people, and turning out a pack above four hundred thousand cases, annually. He succeeded his father as president of this concern, and became vice president of the Associated Fish Products Company of Eastport, which was organized by the five large Maine sardine canners, Seaboard Packing, Holmes Packing,





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Peacock Canning, North Lubec Manufacturing & Canning, and B. H. Wilson Company, to process sardine by-products. In addition to his responsibilities as head of these important concerns, Mr. Pike is likewise president of the American Sardine Corporation, vice president of the Maine Coast Fishery Products, and a director of the Holmes Packing Company.

Without political ambitions, Mr. Pike, who is a Republican, takes a keen and progressive attitude toward public affairs. A recent comment of his is worthy of repetition: "My chief contribution during the second World War, was to produce as much canned food as possible for our Armed Forces and Lend Lease. I certainly hope that during the next twenty-five years the differences between nations will be ironed out and for those of us who attend our fiftieth (Bowdoin College alumni) it will be possible to look back on a long period of peace." He was also active in bond drives and other similar wartime endeavors. Like his father, Frank Avery Pike has been a representative from Lubec to the Maine State Legislature and filled local offices. He is a popular figure in the Lubec Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, and enjoys as a "sideline" the operation of a three hundred acre farm and the breeding and raising of Hereford beef cattle. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

On February 17, 1930, at Boston, Massachusetts, Frank Avery Pike married Kathryn Gilsen, daughter of Fred and Margaret (Farrell) Gilsen. Her father was former sheriff of Washington County. Mr. and Mrs. Pike are the parents of two children: 1. Suzanne, born May 23, 1936, who is a student at Oak Grove School, Vassalboro. 2. A. Chester, born December 25, 1940, who is a student at Emerson School, Exeter, New Hampshire.

**PHILLIPS, Charles Franklin, Ph.D., LL.D.**

In accepting a call to become president of Bates College, Dr. Charles Franklin Phillips assumed responsibilities of major character in the field of higher education in Maine. An economist by education and experience, he is well fitted to overcome the difficulties of the postwar period, and has progressed well as an administrator and educator.

Dr. Charles Franklin Phillips is a graduate from Colgate University, Hamilton, New York, class of 1931, and took his Doctor of Philosophy degree in Economics at Harvard University in 1934, following study at the Harvard Graduate School of Economics, and the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. In 1945 he received an honorary Doctor of Laws from Colgate University and from Colby College in 1949. From 1933 to 1934 he taught economics at Hobart College, and at Colgate University from 1934 to 1941.

Dr. Phillips went to Washington in 1941 with the National Defense Advisory Commission, and later joined the Office of Price Administration. In May, 1944, he was appointed Deputy Administrator for Rationing and placed in charge of all rationing in the United States. In September, 1944, he became president of Bates College, Lewiston.

Dr. Phillips was first managing editor, then editor-in-chief, of the "Journal of Marketing," the official publication of the American Marketing Association, from 1943 to January, 1947. He is the author, co-author or editor of several books, including "Marketing," 1938; "Government Spending and Economic Recovery," 1938; "The American Neutrality Problem," 1939; "Retailing: Principles and Methods," 1941, and revised in 1947; "Market-



ing by Manufacturers," 1946; and "Marketing: Principles and Methods," 1948. Dr. Phillips has also written articles for such publications as "The Harvard Business Review," "Advertising and Selling," "Printer's Ink," "American Economic Review," "Survey Graphic," "Journal of Business" of the University of Chicago, and "The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science."

Dr. Phillips is a director of the Maine Automobile Association, the New England Council, and Carter-Phillips Motors, Inc. He is a trustee of the Maine Maritime Academy; and a member of the State Executive Committee of the Maine Young Men's Christian Association and of the Business Committee of the National Planning Association.

#### **GANNETT, Guy Patterson**

Guy Patterson Gannett, whose name is chiefly identified with the Guy Gannett Publishing Company in Portland, is also a prominent figure in other phases of its life: in the insurance field, radio broadcasting, aviation and political affairs. The Guy Gannett Publishing Company publishes the Portland "Press Herald," "Evening Express" and "Sunday Telegram," as well as the "Waterville Sentinel" and the "Kennebec Journal." The Guy Gannett Broadcasting Services operates radio stations WGAN and WGAN-FM in Portland and WGUY and WGUY-FM in Bangor.

Mr. Gannett was born November 27, 1881, in Augusta, son of William H. (q.v.) and Sarah N. (Hill) Gannett, and received his education at Andover Academy and Yale University. Identified with the newspaper publishing field throughout his career, Mr. Gannett has been for many years president of the Guy Gannett Publishing Company.

The Gannett newspapers of Maine have a combined daily circulation of approximately one hundred and forty-five thousand and the "Sunday Telegram" is the largest newspaper in Maine with a circulation of almost ninety thousand and is the only Sunday newspaper published in the State. Largest of the daily papers is the "Press Herald," with a circulation of more than forty-five thousand reaching into literally every county in Maine.

The combined circulation and coverage of the four daily newspapers, the Sunday paper and the radio stations in Portland and Bangor give the Gannett organization tremendous responsibility and Mr. Gannett's primary concern has always been to serve the people of Maine and to have his newspapers and radio stations live up to their responsibility. He exercises continuous and direct supervision of the entire organization, but gives each unit of his organization the greatest possible freedom for independent action. Because he gives his individual managers the greatest possible independence, Maine people not infrequently find that editorial opinions expressed in one newspaper may disagree with those expressed in another. The result of this policy is that although five of Maine's newspapers are owned by the Gannett organization, Maine newspaper readers have the advantages of a "monopoly," plus the advantages to be found when newspapers are operated independently.

Mr. Gannett has been vitally interested in the cause of education, and is a trustee of Bates College. Many years ago he served as a representative in both the legislature and the senate of the state of Maine, and is a former member of the Republican National Committee. In former years, Mr. Gannett was treasurer of W. H. Gannett, Inc., publishers of "Com-



fort," first American magazine to reach a circulation of one million, and was active in banking, having been a vice president of the Augusta Trust Company, and the First National Granite Bank. Mr. Gannett is a director of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company. He is a past vice president of the Central Maine Power Company, and past president of the Maine Bankers Association. During World War I, he served for six months with the American Red Cross in France, as division representative. He holds the rank of colonel as commander of the Maine Wing of the Civil Air Patrol, and has for many years been closely associated with all phases of aviation.

Guy Patterson Gannett married, in June, 1905, Anne J. Macomber, and they became the parents of three children: 1. Alice Madeline, who is deceased. 2. John Howard. 3. Jean. The family resides on Shore Road in Cape Elizabeth.

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#### **GANNETT, William Howard**

Throughout his long life, William Howard Gannett was an adventurous spirit, a man with ever-fresh ideas, whose name has become a by-word in Maine. A resident of this state will recall first, perhaps, his achievements in publishing the old "Comfort" magazine, read and re-read throughout the nation, first American magazine to achieve a circulation of more than one million. He might also recall Mr. Gannett's worthy service to his district as a member of the legislature; or as a pioneer in the mail-order business; or as a flying enthusiast who flew over the Andes when well past his seventieth year. These and many other accomplishments mark the career of a man as vitally alive as any who have

appeared in recent years to add their bit to the scroll of Maine's achievements.

Born in Augusta, February 10, 1854, William Howard Gannett was a son of Joseph Farley and Mary E. (Patterson) Gannett. He obtained a rudimentary education in the Augusta public schools; but at the age of eight years became a wage earner, leaving school to assist a blind cousin in getting to and from the various places where he tuned pianos. The cousin later opened a music store, and the youthful Gannett became a clerk, working for seven dollars and a half a week: a salary customary in that time, in compensation for hours that often extended from 6:30 in the morning until 9:00 at night.

Mr. Gannett later worked in a novelty store, of which he became a part owner, and it was at this juncture of his career that Mr. Gannett realized the possibilities latent in the mail-order system of selling. By 1888, when his association with retail stores in Augusta terminated, Mr. Gannett found himself resident of a city which was a center of publications reaching out to rural families. This was in the era preceding the automobile, and many of these farm families, living in isolation, looked with eagerness to these sources of contact with the outside world. Such publications were the media for entertainment, instruction, and sales campaigns. Mr. Gannett entered the field in 1888, with his "Comfort" magazine. It was already a competitive field; but he soon gained a pre-eminent position. He had had previous experience in mail-order selling, having promoted the sales of a medicinal lozenge through advertisements placed in various monthly papers. This experience served him well when he entered the magazine field; and he was in the one location in the United States from

whose fertile commercial soil sprang many of these ideas. He wrote in his autobiography, entitled "My Voyage of Life":

"Practically all the mail order business had its birth here in Augusta, and the great mail order houses that are now in existence got their ideas of how to conduct mail order advertising from the business that had its infancy here."

He tells of how he struck on "Comfort" as the title to his magazine: "Comfort is something that everyone wants and none will refuse to have it around." Apparently the title, the basic idea, and the manner in which it was carried out, were skillfully tailored to the audience Mr. Gannett had in mind: "Comfort" grew rapidly, so rapidly that within the first few years of its existence a circulation of a million and a quarter had been reached. Indicative of the enormous response which the magazine received: one of its columns often brought to the Augusta office as many as fifteen thousand letters of response. His magazine reached out to the farm families throughout America, relieved their loneliness, and brought the outside world to their door. In Mr. Gannett's own words, his effort was primarily directed "to the taste and requirements of the great middle classes"; and that it reached those classes is evidenced in its exhilarating growth.

Of course the path of success was not smooth. At one time, in September, 1895, his plant faced a disastrous fire. In the same year, Congress moved to raise second class mailing rates, and attacked their extension to such magazines as "Comfort." The brunt of this governmental attack was diverted, but nonetheless mailing charges on his magazine rose from thirty thousand to one hundred and forty thousand dollars annually, in Mr. Gannett's own time.

Mr. Gannett's business acumen is evidenced in a cost-cutting procedure used by his magazine. An expensive item on the budget was woodcuts, which were the principal means of illustration. Mr. Gannett purchased loads of used cuts from Germany at a bargain price, had proofs run off, and then had stories written centered about the subject of the illustration. In the early days, Mr. Gannett often used to write stories for the magazine himself.

William Howard Gannett was elected to the Maine Legislature for the years 1903-1905, but always thereafter declined political nominations, stating simply that he "did not feel he was fitted for politics." Fraternally, he was an active figure in his community: a Mason and a Knight Templar, and a member of the lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His clubs, during his later years, were the Abnaki, in Augusta, and the Centenarian, of East Aurora, New York, in which he held life membership. He was also a member of the National Aeronautic Association, and a former governor for the state of Maine in that organization. This is indicative of his great interest in aeronautics, which might be termed his primary concern, after his retirement from active business. His career as an aeronaut dated back to a balloon trip he made in 1909; and his unfaltering enthusiasm dates back equally far. He had flown extensively in both heavier-than-air and lighter-than-air craft. Probably the climax of his travels was a fifteen-thousand-mile trip through Latin America, during the course of which the seventy-year-old aeronaut crossed the Andes in an open plane at a height of nineteen thousand feet. He had flown also to Alaska, and was familiar with all the airways of Europe. Though his interest in aviation was of long stand-



ing, he did the greater part of his flying after his seventieth year.

He was also a winter sports enthusiast, making the trip to St. Moritz, Switzerland, in 1922. On his return to Augusta, he sponsored winter carnivals, which were held for several consecutive years on his estate. Ski trails were laid out in this connection, and several ski jumps built. Mr. Gannett's role was significant in adding incentive to the sports of his region.

On October 20, 1878, William Howard Gannett married Sarah N. Hill. They became the parents of three children: 1. Grace B., who married Dr. D. B. Cragin, and is now deceased. 2. Guy Patterson, publisher (q.v.). 3. Florence Lillian, who married Francis H. Farnum.

William Howard Gannett died July 31, 1948, having filled ninety-four years of life with energetic, purposeful activity. The admiration in which he was held in his community found expression in a memorial essay appearing in the pages of the Portland "Press Herald," which read, in part, as follows:

"Whatever he did, he did wholeheartedly, whether it was founding a publishing business, or flying. . . over the Andes. William Howard Gannett was a young man, mentally, throughout his life, by virtue of always looking ahead, always interesting himself in that which was new and worthwhile.

"All his life, he was a pioneer, a builder; never an old man looking backward and sighing for days past, but ever one with a young man's vision, looking toward Tomorrow, toward new horizons."

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#### **BAILEY, Francis Louis, Ph.D.**

Becoming president of Gorham State Teachers' College, Gorham, Maine, in 1940, Dr. Francis Louis Bailey found the acceptance of this responsible post a logical forward step in his career. He brought

with him an excellent record as educator and administrator.

Born at Wyman, Michigan, November 18, 1894, Dr. Bailey is a son of Levi Perry and Florence Ella (Spalding) Bailey. After attending the public grade and high schools of his native community, he graduated from the State Normal School in 1915, received his degree of Bachelor of Arts from the University of Michigan in 1921, and that of Master of Arts from the same university in 1924. He studied at the University of Chicago during 1928 and 1929, and received his degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Columbia University in 1939.

His first appointment in the educational field was as principal of the upper grammar grade schools at Belding, Michigan, which he accepted immediately upon graduation from Michigan State Normal College in 1915. He held this position until 1917, then continued with his advanced studies. From 1921 to 1923 he was principal of the high school at Harbor Springs, and was a teacher of science in the schools of Winnetka, Illinois, from 1924 to 1928. From 1931 to 1940, Dr. Bailey was commissioner of education for the state of Vermont, and received appointment in the latter year as president of the Gorham State Teachers College.

He is a life member of the National Education Association, of which he was president of the Rural Department in 1936-1937, and of the American Association of School Administrators; and is a member of the National Society for the Study of Education, the New England Superintendents Association, and the Maine State Teachers Association. His fraternal affiliations include Pi Kappa Alpha, college fraternity; Phi Delta Kappa, professional fraternity; and Kappa Delta Pi, honor society. Dr. Bailey is the



author of a book entitled "A Planned Supply of Teachers for Vermont," and has also made special studies of educational administration, rural education, and teacher training. He is a Republican in his politics, and attends the Congregational Church. As a member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Dr. Bailey has advanced to the Thirty-second degree and is a member of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Patrons of Husbandry and the Portland Rotary Club.

On August 14, 1926, Dr. Francis Louis Bailey married Nina Fitch Babcock, and they are the parents of a son, Douglas Babcock. The family makes its residence at Gorham.

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#### **PAYSON, Harold Conant**

The oldest banking house in the State of Maine is H. M. Payson and Company of Portland. Of this well-known investment firm Harold Conant Payson is the oldest partner. He is also active in such public utilities as gas, power and water companies, not only in Maine but in other parts of the country.

Mr. Payson was born in Portland on December 17, 1886, the son of George Shipman and Louise G. (Thaxter) Payson, and was educated at Phillips Exeter Academy and Williams College, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts from the college in 1908. Since 1908, Mr. Payson has been with H. M. Payson and Company, which was founded by his grandfather, H. M. Payson. Harold C. Payson is today the oldest partner of the firm, and the other partners are Phillips M. Payson, Carroll K. Pierce and John McInnes. The offices of the house are at 93 Exchange Street, in Portland.

Mr. Payson is a member of the boards

of directors of the Lewiston Gas Company and the Consumers Water Company. He is a member of the Cumberland Club and the Williams Club of New York and worships in the Congregational Church. He is a Republican.

Mr. Payson married Dorothy Dewey Norton at Bennington, Vermont, on October 12, 1910. Their children are George S., Elizabeth N., Dorothy D. and L. Norton.

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#### **MILLEN, Rev. Michael**

A young clergyman with ideas about preparatory education, the Rev. Michael Millen founded, on September 18, 1946, the Landhaven School, near Camden. This was opened with a student body of a dozen boys, a faculty of half that number, with no immediate plans for making it a large institution. It is not launched as a profit making enterprise; the costs of tuition and maintenance are proportioned to the wealth of the parents. Already, in some cases, the charges have been less than none. Age limitations range from nine to eighteen years, but the boys admitted must be of exceptional intelligence, as indicated by the Stanford-Binet test. "Landhaven," writes a commentator, "has no 'forms' or class 'years.' Students graduate when progress tests convince the masters that they are ready for college. The boys get only six weeks' vacation each summer; the rest of the school year is broken into three terms, on the English model. Students and masters share the school's housekeeping chores."

The Rev. Michael Millen is a native of Coin, Iowa, born on November 12, 1922, son of Lendel James and Mabel (McMichael) Millen. His father, who died in June, 1946, at Augusta, was a man of di-



Harold C. Tayson.





versified industrial and financial interests in Iowa, who also engaged in agriculture on a large scale, and was a most important citizen in his community. His son was prepared for higher education in the public schools of his birthplace, and entered Northwestern University in 1938. Two years later he transferred to Harvard University, where he was graduated with the class of 1942. He is a Bachelor of Arts, and a Bachelor of Sacred Theology, member of the Signet Society, and the Order of the Living Christ. Ordained to the Methodist Episcopal ministry, the Rev. Mr. Millen served parishes at St. Charles, Iowa, from 1942 to 1944; at Fairfield, Maine, from 1944 to 1946; and Rockport, Maine, from 1946 to 1948.

From a dissatisfaction with his own preparatory schooling for college stemmed the desire to try his hand at some better methods, an ambition shared by two Harvard classmates who joined in his project, without salary. The opportunity came when he inherited sixty acres of land at Landhaven. Here he established the Landhaven School, that has attracted attention in educational circles, notably for its individual and informal ways of life and instruction. Eyebrows were lifted when the press related that pupils and schoolmasters have all "piled into busses" and driven to a political convention in Philadelphia, stopped in the lower East Side of New York City and plastered, painted, and repaired a settlement house by day, and by night visited the Bowery, Chinatown, and some controversial plays. Says "Time," under the heading "The Open Road": "'Reverend Mike' has set the maximum enrollment at thirty, 'a busload.' Whenever masters and boys feel the itch, the school piles into its bus, with one of the masters at the wheel, and goes singing on its way. Studying the plays

of Shaw and the poems of T. S. Eliot, they have driven down to Boston to see 'Man and Superman' and hear Eliot lecture at Harvard. To study farming, and to earn a little spending money for other trips, they will bus to Aroostook County this fall to help with the potato harvest."

In less spectacular fashion, Landhaven School speaks for itself in a brief brochure:

On September 18, 1946, a small boarding school for boys opened at Landhaven, two miles from the village of Camden, Maine. The school has a capacity of forty boarders between the ages of nine and eighteen, but during the early years the number will be further limited.

College preparation is offered but is not considered an end in itself. Conceived more broadly, the aim of the school is to provide an environment of stimulation and security within which boys can mature as whole persons with the broadest possible spiritual and intellectual base, not driven as are so many by the complexities of modern life and the vocational emphasis of much of our education to develop only a part of themselves, to become standardized, specialized, mediocre. Masters and boys strive to achieve this security by intimately sharing the search for the necessary knowledge of what life can mean to man, bound together in an informal, family-like community in which all share even the varied household responsibilities. Close participation in the simple and practical life of the fine New England town of Camden provides a further outreach and a testing of the quality of the boys' relationship to the world at large.

Landhaven consists of sixty acres of typical Maine woodland, with frontage on meandering Lake Megunticook. Indoor life centers in the main house, which stands on the highest point of land and offers a superb view of the lake, the Camden Hills, and the islands and inlets of Penobscot Bay. The lodge, workshop, greenhouse, and stable can be reached by a short walk through the woods, while the bath- and boat-house is approximately a mile away."

A recent activity was the 1950 year abroad for the nineteen pupils and five

teachers of Landhaven. For a better understanding of world conditions, the group pursued orientation and language courses in France, Italy, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Denmark, The Netherlands, Switzerland, and England over a period of some nine months. Their schedule provided for departure to France in February, and return from England in November.

A final, distinctive word comes from the American Association for Gifted Children which says, "Landhaven alone among boarding schools is seeking to provide the richest possible educational experience for the leaders-to-be of our current generation of youth. It is unique in this country, probably in the world."

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#### **GOLDTHWAIT, Sheldon Forrest**

Sheldon Forrest Goldthwait, president of the Bar Harbor Banking & Trust Company and prominent in New England banking circles, was born June 13, 1905, in Lynn, Massachusetts, the son of John Forrest and Lillian (White) Goldthwait. Mr. Goldthwait's father died in August, 1930. The progenitor of the Goldthwait family in America emigrated from England in 1629 and settled in Salem, Massachusetts.

Sheldon Forrest Goldthwait attended the public schools of Lynn and graduated from the Lynn High School in 1922, after which he studied for a year at Northeastern University. His first employment was with the Lynn Gas & Electric Company. After a short period in this post, he became associated with the Manufacturers National Bank of Lynn, where he was employed from 1924 to 1927. From 1927 to 1939 he was associated with the Central National Bank of Lynn. In 1939 these two banks,

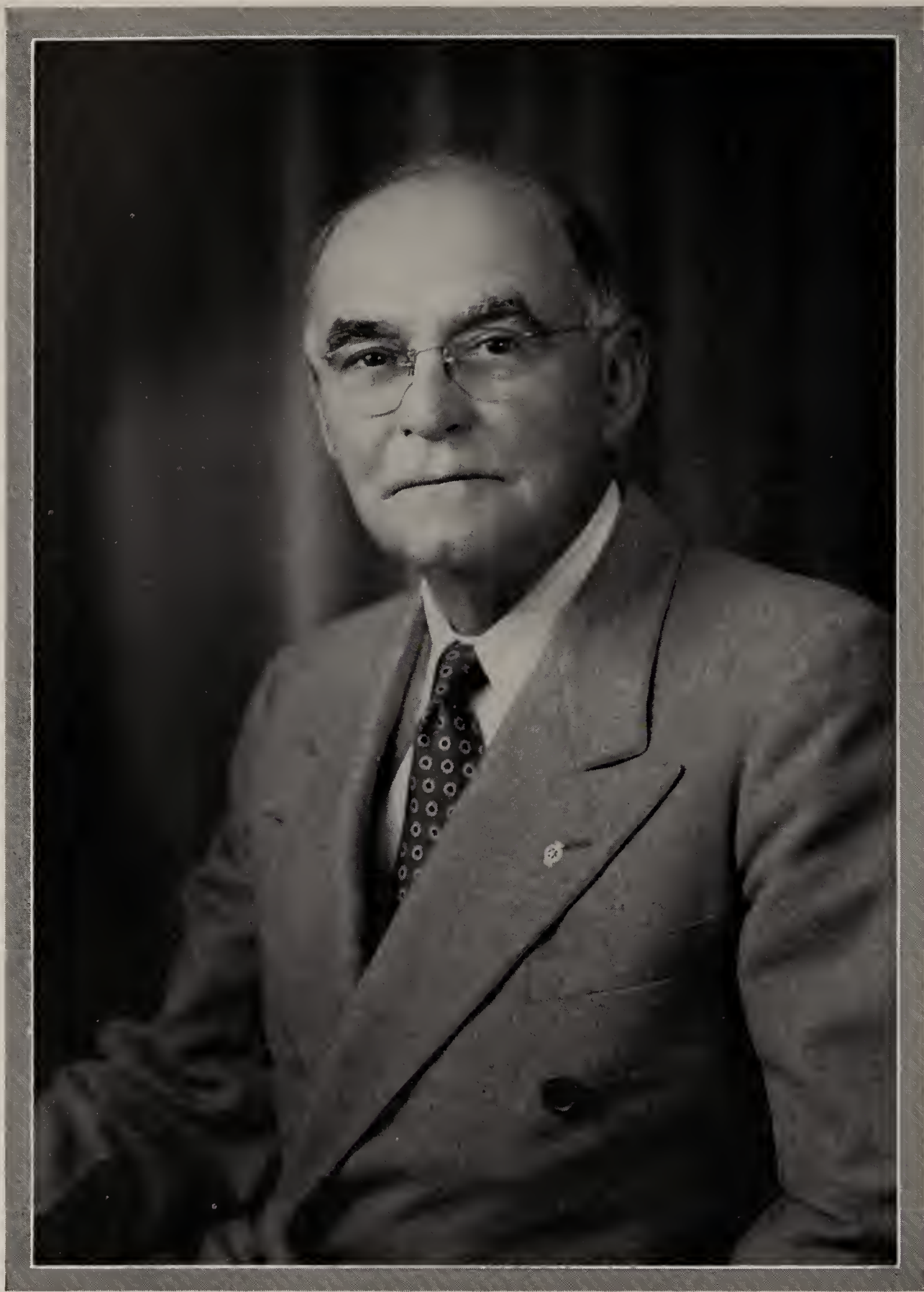
the Manufacturers National and the Central National merged as the Manufacturers and Central National Bank of Lynn. Mr. Goldthwait was identified with the new bank from 1939 to 1944, when he came to Bar Harbor as vice president and treasurer of the Bar Harbor Banking & Trust Company. After serving in this capacity from March 1, 1944, to June, 1947, he was elected president of the bank, the post he now holds. Mr. Goldthwait is also a director of the Clark Coal Company and of the Northeast Harbor Water Company. He is president of the Maine Chapter of the National Association of Bank Auditors and Controllers and vice president of the Maine Corporate Fiduciary Association. He serves on the executive board of the Maine State Bankers Association and is a member of the American Bankers Association.

Mr. Goldthwait takes a keen interest in civic affairs. He is president of the Bar Harbor Public Health Association and a member of the American Civic League. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Royal Arch Masons, Knights Templar, and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and is identified with the Bangor Court of Jessters. He is a member of the Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce and the Lions Club. Mr. Goldthwait is a Republican, and a member of St. Xavier's Episcopal Church. He belongs to the North American Newcomen Society.

He married on September 30, 1933, at Lynn, Massachusetts, Ruth Sanders, the daughter of Walter H. and Nellie F. Sanders. Mr. and Mrs. Goldthwait have two children: Sheldon Forrest Goldthwait, Jr., born July 6, 1938; and John Sanders Goldthwait, born February 8, 1941.







*William B. Doolittle*

**NULTY, Judge William Bridgham**

Associate Justice William Bridgham Nulty, of the Supreme Court of the State of Maine, was born in Buckfield, Maine, January 28, 1888. He is the son of Henry H. and Lucretia B. (Bridgham) Nulty. His father, a native of Bridgton, later moved to Buckfield and conducted a corn factory and hotel there for many years.

Judge Nulty graduated from Hebron Academy in 1906 and from Bowdoin College in 1910, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He took postgraduate work at Cornell University, Columbia University, and the University of Maine, and in 1917 was admitted to the practice of law in the state of Maine. He became associated with the law firm of Bradley & Linnell at Portland, became a partner in the firm in 1920 and continued to practice as a member of this firm until September 18, 1947, when he was appointed to the Superior Court, and elevated to the Supreme Court March 16, 1949. The law firm, originally Bradley & Linnell, later became Bradley, Linnell & Jones, and then in 1934 Bradley, Linnell, Nulty & Brown. Mr. Bradley died in 1933 after some years of retirement. The firm later became Linnell, Nulty, Brown, Perkins & Thompson, one of the outstanding law firms in Maine. Judge Nulty, before being elevated to the bench, was attorney for many corporations and institutions, and regarded as one of the leading lawyers of the state. He served as assistant United States attorney from 1922 to 1934. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Hebron Academy, is a member and past president of the Cumberland County Bar Association, and a member of the Maine Bar Association and the American Bar Association. Fraternally Judge Nulty is affiliated with all bodies of the Masonic order up to and including the Thirty-

second degree, and he is Past Potentate of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Lewiston. He is a member of the Portland Rotary Club, of which he was president in 1939-1940, a member of the Cumberland Club of Portland and of the Portland Country Club and the Old Orchard Country Club.

Judge Nulty married Anna M. Wright of Lisbon. Mrs. Nulty is a member of the Women's Rotary organization. Judge and Mrs. Nulty had one son, William B. Nulty, Jr. He graduated from Hebron Academy in 1935 and died in July, 1938.

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**CYR, Isaie L.**

Operating the Cyr Potato Company, Inc., growers and packers of the finest Maine potatoes, Isaie L. Cyr is one of Portland's leading business men. The incorporation of the Cyr Potato Company took place on July 1, 1949, the organization having been formerly known as the "I. L." Cyr Potato Company. In fact, Mr. Cyr himself is widely referred to among his many friends as "I. L." Cyr.

Mr. Cyr was born August 23, 1899, in Van Buren, Maine, son of Levite B. C. and Eleanor (Martin) Cyr. His father was a native of Van Buren and the mother was born in Frenchville, Maine. The Cyr family were among the early Acadians to settle in Maine.

Isaie L. Cyr attended school in Van Buren, his birthplace, and was a student at St. Mary's College between 1913 and 1915. In 1917 he was graduated from Madawaska Training School, in Fort Kent, this state. He was president of his class in that institution of learning, and also maintained a high academic standing at Gray's Business College, Portland, where he was graduated in 1919. In that year he established the present potato



packing business in Van Buren, where he continuously operated it until 1924. In that year he removed to Madawaska, Maine, where he was situated until 1940. Until 1946 he operated farms in Madawaska, raising great quantities of seed and table potatoes, planting sometimes as much as two hundred and fifty-five acres of them.

In 1946 he sold his farms in order to devote his time fully to the wholesale distribution of potatoes in Portland and vicinity. In conjunction with his farming operations at Madawaska, Mr. Cyr served also as a dealer in farm machinery and fertilizer and was extensively engaged in buying and shipping potatoes. In a single season he has shipped as many as five or six hundred carloads of the vegetable. His products include the finest Aroostook potatoes and New Southern Choice potatoes. The company also handles apples and other products and operates a special department for packaging and wholesale distribution of tomatoes. Associated with Isaie L. Cyr, who is president of the corporation, are Bertrand E. Cyr, his son, who is vice president; Corinna E. G. Cyr, Isaie L. Cyr's wife, who is treasurer; and Lloyd R. Cyr, another son, assistant treasurer.

In addition to his work with the Cyr Potato Company, Isaie L. Cyr is active in community life in Portland. He has been for more than a dozen years a member of the Portland Rotary Club, never missing a meeting. While living at Madawaska, he became a charter member of the Madawaska-Edmundston International Rotary Club. That club performed an important function in promoting harmony between the Maine and New Brunswick communities which it served, and for a number of years Mr. Cyr was active in it, serving as its president in 1940. He

was also president of the St. John's Valley Fair in 1940 and 1941, and was the founder of that fair. He is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Knights of Columbus in this city. He has been connected with the Knights for the last thirty years, and holds the Fourth Degree Assembly. He is also active in the Roman Catholic Cathedral in Portland and is a member of the Men's Club of St. Joseph's Parish.

Isaie L. Cyr married, July 2, 1924, Corinna E. Gagnon, of Caribou, Maine, daughter of Joseph T. and Madeline (Jacques) Gagnon. Mrs. Cyr attended the Ricker School, in Houlton, and the Madawaska Training School, in Port Kent, from both of which she was graduated. She later was a student at Presque Isle Normal School, after which she taught for thirteen years at Caribou, prior to her marriage. Mrs. Cyr is a member of the Women of Rotary, the Daughters of Isabella and the Mothers Club. Mr. and Mrs. Cyr became the parents of the following children: 1. Bertrand E., born May 6, 1925, in Van Buren, graduated from high school in Portland in 1943, attended Shaw's Business College in this city in 1944, then became associated with the Cyr Potato Company, of which he is now vice president. He is a member of the Portland Council of Knights of Columbus. Bertrand E. Cyr married, July 2, 1947, Juliette Guerette, of Madawaska, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irenée Guerette, and they became the parents of a son, Alan B. Cyr, born May 13, 1948, in Portland. 2. Luella Mae, born May 12, 1927, in Madawaska, graduated from Cathedral High School, Portland, in 1944, and from Shaw's Business College in 1945, now associated with the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in Portland. 3. Lloyd R., born January 23, 1929, in Madawaska,



graduated from high school in Portland in 1947, and from Gray's Business College in 1949. He served in the Marine Corps as a private, first class, during World War II and is now associated with his father as assistant treasurer of the Cyr Potato Company. 4. Reola M., born December 28, 1930, in Madawaska, attended St. Joseph's Academy, Portland, where she was graduated in June, 1949. She intends to enter the Forsyth Dental School, Boston, in September. 5. Kenneth G., born November 11, 1932, at Madawaska, now a student in high school. 6. Roland L., born March 11, 1934, in Madawaska, entered high school in 1948.

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**LEVINE, Lewis Lister**

Since 1922, when he was admitted to the bar of the state of Maine, Lewis Lister Levine has practiced his profession in Waterville, acquiring through the years an excellent reputation. This is the second profession in which Mr. Levine has been engaged. Previously demonstrating his abilities as an educator, he was principal of the high school in Meredith, New Hampshire prior to taking up the study of law. His varied interests find expression in a number of memberships, professional and fraternal.

Mr. Levine is a native of the town where he has based his career, and is a son of Julius and Rachael Levine. His father operated a real estate business in Waterville, and Lewis Lister Levine received his public grade and high school education there. After graduation from Waterville High School he entered Colby College, where he received the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts. Beginning his career as an educator, Mr. Levine became principal of the high school in Meredith, New Hampshire, re-

taining this appointment for two years; after which he resumed his education. He pursued his legal studies at the Boston University Law School, from which he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1922, and was admitted to the bar of the State of Maine that same year. He began the practice of his profession, independently, in Waterville immediately afterwards, and has continued there since. He is a member of the American, the Maine state, and the Kennebec County bar associations.

Mr. Levine has always participated fully in the life of his home city, and is held in high regard among its business men and lodgemen. He is a member of the lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, holds the Thirty-second degree in Masonry, and is a member of the temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Locally, he is a member of the Waterville Masonic Club. Mr. Levine is of Jewish faith, and attends the Waterville Synagog. He is vitally interested in the cause of good education, and donated to Colby College, his alma mater, a room in honor of his father and mother, to whose memory he is devoted. His chief interest, indeed, is in his family, and finds its present focus in his five children. As diversion from his professional responsibilities, he enjoys athletics. Mr. Levine's fraternity is Alpha Tau Omega.

Lewis Lister Levine married, in Waterville, Celia Gurewitz of Auburn. They are the parents of five children: 1. Judith S. 2. Julius B. 3. Ida Joyce. 4. Robert A. 5. Frederick E. The family resides at 76 Pleasant Street in Waterville, and Mr. Levine's offices are at 142 Maine Street.

**SQUIRE, Russell M.**

Mayor of the city of Waterville and chairman of the city planning board, Russell M. Squire has come to the attention of the people of that city through a career of many years as a successful business man. Since 1925, Mr. Squire has been proprietor of a store dealing in furs and women's specialties. Throughout his years of activity he has filled many positions of leadership, and the city of Waterville has found him an able administrator.

Mr. Squire is a son of Wilfred A. and Lucetta N. Squire, his father being a merchant and the founder of the enterprise which bears his name, located to the present time on Main Street in Waterville. In that city, Russell M. Squire received his high school education. He is a native of Massachusetts, however, born in Haverhill in 1902, and attended grade school in that state. He is a graduate of Colby College, class of 1925, degree of Bachelor of Science; and as an undergraduate his qualities of leadership were already apparent. Mr. Squire was president of his class, and was for three years a member of Colby's debating team.

Entering business in association with his father after his graduation from college, he soon succeeded the elder man in the management of the business, which has been since its establishment engaged in the retailing of furs and miscellaneous articles of women's apparel. It has prospered well, and gained the favor and patronage of Waterville citizens, maintaining high standards both as to quality of goods, and friendly, fair relations with the public.

Upon the solid foundation of a successful business career, Mr. Squire's ensuing record of public service was established, and he has ably filled each successive

post entrusted to him. During World War II, he was for three years administrator of defense transportation; and he has been a member and chairman of the Waterville city planning board. Of these offices, that of mayor of Waterville was a natural culmination; and the electorate have had every reason to be satisfied with their choice. Mr. Squire is also a trustee of the Waterville Savings Bank, trustee of Colby College and trustee of Thayer Hospital. He is a Republican in his politics.

Mr. Squire is a member of the Maine Merchants Association. He is a member and past president of the Waterville Rotary Club; member and past governor of the Waterville Country Club, and a director of the Waterville Boys Club. His fraternities are Delta Upsilon, and Pi Kappa Delta, national forensic society. He is a member of the lodges of the Free and Accepted Masons and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Squire attends the First Baptist Church of Waterville, of which he is a trustee. He finds time amidst his activities for golf, his favorite game.

In Waterville, June 12, 1927, Russell M. Squire married Muriel Thomas, and they are the parents of two children: 1. Barbara M. 2. Russell M., Jr. The family's residence is at 5 Gaylock Road, Waterville.

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**THE FEDERAL TRUST COMPANY OF WATERVILLE**

As president of The Federal Trust Company of Waterville, Frederick R. Knauff holds a place of unusual influence and importance in his community, where he is greatly esteemed. The institution he heads dates from January 25, 1924, when it opened its Main Street office. William





Frederick R. Knauff





A. Knauff, who organized the bank and was instrumental in securing a charter, served as the first treasurer. Leon O. Tibbetts was the first president. William A. Knauff had resigned from the Peoples National Bank to establish the new institution, and took with him W. T. Toulouse as his assistant, and also Emily Diggs and Marguerite Percival. Miss Diggs, now Mrs. Finnemore, continues in the employ of the bank.

The original capital of the Federal Trust Company of Waterville was \$100,000, represented by one thousand shares of common stock. The whole project was a relatively small affair, conservative in outlook and management, a sound basis upon which the present large institution was built in the past quarter of a century. The current assets cover amply the deposits of between fifteen and sixteen million dollars. The staff totals some thirty-two persons and the services rendered are exceptionally extensive. A branch bank at Unity possesses assets approaching a million dollars. This branch is managed by George Patterson, who has held this position since the bank was opened.

As already mentioned the Federal Trust Company of Waterville and its able president, Frederick R. Knauff, fill a notable place in the business of the city and service of its people. Mr. Knauff is a well known figure in financial circles of the state, as a member of the Maine Bankers Association. He is always to the fore in the promotion of the best interests of the community.

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#### **DEXTER, Robert A.**

Robert A. Dexter, president of Dexter Drug Stores, Inc., is one of the exceptionally well known figures in Waterville life and affairs. He is not only prominent in commercial circles of a larger area than

his city, but is constantly to the fore in community activities. He is not a native of Maine, however, but of Orange, Massachusetts, where he was born in 1907.

Dexter is one of the oldest of New England names, colonial ancestry tracing back to Timothy Dexter, who received a large grant of land from that spread around Orange, in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, to the present boundary of New Hampshire, and included the towns of Orange, Athol, and several others. Lord Timothy Dexter of Newburyport, Massachusetts, has been the subject of more than one volume of genealogy. Arthur Job Dexter, father of the gentleman whose name heads this record, was born in Orange, and married a Miss Annie Stewart of North Berwick, Maine, a descendant of the Stewarts of England.

For the most part the primary and secondary education of Robert A. Dexter was acquired in Bethlehem, New Hampshire. Entering the University of New Hampshire, he continued his studies for two years prior to starting out on a business career. He was variously engaged for a time, and became actively connected with Waterville commerce on November 16, 1941, when he entered the employ of James Allen, to look over the prospects of the Allen Drug Store. Convinced of the future of the concern, he purchased it on January 1, 1942, and since has greatly expanded his merchandising. The enterprise was started on a small scale at the beginning of the year 1850, as Dorr's Drug Store. Later he employed Harry Dunbar, who eventually acquired the establishment and named it the Dunbar Drug Store. After a time he took on James H. Allen as a partner, who in turn bought the store, and it was from Mr. Allen that Robert A. Dexter purchased the business, as already indicated.

Robert A. Dexter, who is thoroughly modern in his ideas of business, sought larger fields to serve. On June 1, 1903, he secured Maddox's Restaurant, next door, and incorporated it in the original establishment. On September 1, 1946, he purchased the Gilbert Drug Store in Winslow, changing its trade title to the Dexter Drug Store, and incorporated his double endeavors as Dexter Drug Stores, Inc. This company not only engages in the sale and distribution of the usual line of drugs and other merchandise, but is favorably known for its extensive stock of biological and hospital supplies. Its head has won a reputation for commercial acumen, breadth of ideas and strict integrity in dealings. In community organizations Mr. Dexter is a member of the Lions Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is keenly interested in the Waterville Boys' Club, and contributes liberally to charitable and religious works. He attends the Methodist Episcopal Church.

On May 9, 1931, at St. Johnsbury, Vermont, Robert A. Dexter married Dorothy Aldrich. Her paternal great-grandmother was a full-blooded Indian, while her maternal ancestors escaped religious persecution in England by going to Canada, and from there migrated into the States. Mr. and Mrs. Dexter are the parents of two sons: 1. Arthur Aldrich, who was born March 22, 1932. 2. Stewart Robert, who was born April 30, 1935.

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#### **McCARTHY, Maurice Franklin**

In Maine, the state of which he is a native and lifelong resident, Maurice Franklin McCarthy has found opportunity for the use of his abilities, education and experience. As general superin-

tendent of the Hollingsworth and Whitney Company, he is well known for his knowledge of the paper mill business, and his skill as an executive. He was born in Lewiston, on November 19, 1888, son of John and Sarah (Merrow) McCarthy, his father being a cotton mill man.

Maurice Franklin McCarthy was educated in the Lewiston High School and the University of Maine, and his first employment of note was as a chemist for the Hollingsworth and Whitney Company. After holding this position for two years he became, in 1914, color expert, a position he held until 1928, winning recognition in this technical field of activity. From 1928 to 1932 he was assistant superintendent of the paper mill, was superintendent from 1932 to 1945, and since that year has been general superintendent of the company.

Apart from business, Mr. McCarthy is interested and influential in party politics and municipal affairs. He was chairman of the Winslow Town Committee, was chairman of the Maine Second District Republican Committee, and in 1944 was a Thomas E. Dewey elector. His college fraternity is Kappa Sigma (University of Maine), and he is affiliated with the Masonic Order, a member of the various higher bodies, being a Thirty-second degree Mason. He belongs to the Waterville Country Club, and attends the Congregational Church.

On July 3, 1916, at Auburn, Maurice Franklin McCarthy married Frances C. Johnson, daughter of G. B. and Grace (Adams) Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy are the parents of a daughter: Marcia Merrow, who was born July 21, 1922.

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#### **ISAACSON, Peter A.**

Carrying on an extensive practice of







*Theodore J. Richards*

law in Lewiston, Peter A. Isaacson has figured prominently in the affairs of this city and in Democratic politics in Maine.

Mr. Isaacson was born in Auburn, and after completing his formal education, he studied law in his cousin's law office. Admitted to practice in 1924, he opened his own office in Lewiston in that year. Two years later, in 1926, he became an associate of the late Governor Louis Brann. In 1939 his son, Irving Isaacson, joined the firm, subsequently leaving it for five and a half years of service in the Office of Strategic Services, then re-joined the firm in the summer of 1946.

In addition to his work with his own law firm, Peter A. Isaacson is a member of the Androscoggin County Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association, the Federal District Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. He is a director and counsel of the Lewiston Trust Company. Long active in Democratic politics, he was chairman of the Maine delegates to the Democratic Convention in Philadelphia in 1948. He is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons and of B'nai B'rith. His favorite spare-time occupation is gardening and peach culture.

Peter A. Isaacson married in Auburn, Maine, Doris A. Westall. They became the parents of three children: 1. Irving, now associated with his father in the practice of law. 2. Frances, now Mrs. Frances (Isaacson) Miller. 3. Shirley G., now Mrs. Shirley G. (Isaacson) Nadel.

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#### **RICHARDS, Theodore Josiah**

An important and familiar figure in the life of Waterville, Theodore Josiah Richards enters actively many phases of community life as a business man, City

Councilman, and popular member of fraternal orders and clubs. His abilities have been tested and tried in the exacting business of insurance; his good citizenship has been reflected in public services, and his personality is one that has won a host of friends.

Born at Parkham, Maine, on October 28, 1911, Theodore J. Richards is a son of Delmont Josiah and Nellie Agnes (Read) Richards. Mrs. Richards, who died in 1925, was very prominent in the First Baptist Church of Dexter. After completing his academic education in the Dexter grammar school and the Fay High School, Theodore J. Richards began making his own livelihood, but continued studies of aid to the career he had chosen, such as special insurance courses of the University of Connecticut; public speaking under Dr. Libby of Colby College, and several correspondence courses in the selling of life insurance. In business he has successively held the positions of wholesale salesman for Bakery Products, salesman and assistant manager for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, of New York, and manager for the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Maine. He changed to his present position chiefly because the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company was a State of Maine corporation, of high standing. He is an expert in his field of endeavor, and so recognized by colleagues and competitors. In line with his work he is the good friend and adviser of many people, admired for his sound judgment and personal integrity.

The abilities, experience and public spirit of Mr. Richards have drawn him into numerous civic activities. He was elected to the City Common Council from Ward 2, Waterville, and served capably both it and various other city committees



during 1944-45. While not of military age to be eligible for service in either of the world wars, he had his round of training as a member of the Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 103rd Infantry, Maine National Guard, 1929-30-31. Prominent in fraternal groups, Mr. Richards is affiliated with Waterville Lodge No. 33, Free and Accepted Masons, Chapter No. 52, Royal Arch Masons, St. Omer Commandery No. 12, Knights Templar, Martha Washington Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, No. 15, and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Lewiston-Auburn Shrine Club, the Waterville Shrine Club, the Waldo County Shrine Club, and is vice chairman of the Waterville Masonic Club. He is also a member of Lodge No. 905, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In the Waterville Kiwanis Club, he has held the offices of president, member of the board of directors for three years, and chairman of various of its committees. The care of underprivileged children is one of his personal interests, and he is generous in his support of every worth-while movement.

At Waterville, on July 27, 1934, Theodore Josiah Richards married Margaret Priscilla Callahan, daughter of Joseph Patrick and Charlotte (Merrill) Callahan. Mrs. Richards is a member of the Congregational Church, at Guilford. Mr. and Mrs. Richards are the parents of three children: 1. Theodore Rockne, born April 5, 1935. 2. Patricia Ellen, born April 13, 1937. 3. John Callahan, born August 1, 1943.

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#### QUINTON, Deane R.

Plant manager of the Androscoggin Division of the Bates Manufacturing Company, Deane R. Quinton has devoted

his career to the textile business, with which his family has been much associated.

Born in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, August 28, 1908, Deane Reginald Quinton is a son of William W. and Florence A. (Hall) Quinton. His father was one of the prominent men in the industrial and financial life of Maine, was himself an authority on textiles, one of the incorporators of the Waterville Savings Bank, and a leading factor in the commercial development of the city of Waterville.

William W. Quinton was born in Gloucester, Massachusetts, July 14, 1882, son of William M. and Agnes S. (Deane) Quinton. His father was a native of St. Stephen, New Brunswick, and his mother of Deer Island, New Brunswick. William M. Quinton was for many years engaged in the fishing industry in Gloucester, but later removed to St. Stephen, where he occupied himself in farming.

William W. Quinton received his early education in the public schools of St. Stephen, including the high school. After finishing his studies, he became connected with the St. Croix Mills at Milltown, New Brunswick, where he remained from 1898 until 1905, learning the textile business. He then accepted a position with the Cocheco Manufacturing Company at Dover, New Hampshire, as assistant designer, remaining there until 1907, when he went to Woonsocket, Rhode Island, as overseer of weaving for the Clinton Manufacturing Company, filling this position until 1913, when he was transferred to the company's plant at Pontiac, Rhode Island, where he was engaged for one year. In 1914 he became associated with the Whitin Brothers at Linwood, Massachusetts, in the same capacity, holding this position until 1917.

Mr. Quinton was then engaged at the Nashua Manufacturing Company of Nashua, New Hampshire, as manufacturing superintendent, and continued successfully until 1921, when he was appointed agent for the Hansahoe Manufacturing Company at Valley Falls, Rhode Island. In 1923 William W. Quinton became agent for the Lockwood Company at Waterville. Mr. Quinton was a member of the Associated Industries of Maine and of the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers. He was a Mason, a director of the Rotary Club and of the Waterville Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was a member of the 71st Regiment of Infantry, Maine Militia. He and Florence A. (Hall) Quinton, whom he married on November 8, 1905, became the parents of a daughter, Edith Mae, born October 26, 1906; and of Deane Reginald, of whom further. William W. Quinton died December 4, 1941.

After attending local public schools through the secondary years, Deane R. Quinton entered Colby College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. The family tradition of achievement in the textile business drew him to this occupation as a career, and during the years he was pursuing his education he worked during vacations and in the afternoons in the Lockwood Company, where his father was at that time general manager. On his graduation from Colby College, he went to Rhode Island, a state of importance in the textile field, and entered the rayon department of Manville Jenks Company in the capacity of foreman. He soon became assistant superintendent of this mill, at that time one of the largest fancy-goods mills in the United States. Before leaving this

concern, in 1936, he had advanced to the post of production manager.

Coming to Maine in 1936, he entered the Androscoggin Mill as superintendent, and in 1943 became plant manager, which position he holds to the present time. Mr. Quinton has been active in civic programs. He was chairman of the local chapter of the American Red Cross, 1944-1945, is a director of the Young Men's Christian Association, and past president of the Kiwanis. He is a director of the Community Chest, and has always been active on its board and during its drives.

Fraternally, Mr. Quinton is a member of the lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and belongs to the Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His fraternity is Phi Delta Theta, and he belongs to the Martindale Country Club and the Young Men's Christian Association. His church is the High Street Congregational. Mr. Quinton greatly enjoys his two hobbies: amateur photography, and the operation of amateur radio station WIHUT.

At Waterville, Deane Reginald Quinton married Evelyn Haycock, and they are the parents of a son, Robert E., born in February, 1940. They make their home in Auburn.

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#### **ROY, Robert A.**

Associated with his father in the transportation business as treasurer of Roy Brothers, Robert A. Roy takes an important part in the business life of Lewiston. Mr. Roy was born in 1919, in Lewiston, son of Anselme D. and Eva (Rocheleau) Roy, member of an old French-Canadian family. His paternal grandparents were Pierre and Clarida Roy. The grandfather was a carpenter. Mr. Roy's father has been engaged in the



transportation business for many years.

Robert A. Roy attended the Parochial School of the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, in Lewiston, and afterward studied at Roberts Business College and Bliss Business College, before he joined his father in the transportation business. Subsequently he became treasurer of Roy Brothers, so continuing down to the time of writing. This company operates eighteen trucks and trailers, and carries on a trucking business throughout central Maine. It is one of the largest organizations of its kind in this area.

In addition to his work with Roy Brothers, Robert A. Roy has taken a lively interest in community affairs. He is a member of the Lewiston Chamber of Commerce. He also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Montagnard. During World War II, Mr. Roy served in the navy as a seaman. While in the Pacific theater of war he sailed on a cruiser through Japanese and Chinese waters, concluding his service as a navy store keeper and dispenser of merchandise. He was honorably discharged in 1946. He is a member of the Roman Catholic Church of St. Peter and St. Paul.

Robert A. Roy married, in 1942, in Lewiston, Yvette Poulin. They became the parents of two children: 1. Sonia, born February 2, 1944. 2. Paulette, born in February, 1947.

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#### **ROY, Anselme D.**

The firm of Roy Brothers is one of the large transportation companies in Lewiston and this vicinity of Maine, carrying on a business which extends throughout the central part of the state. Anselme D. Roy is one of the founders, and enjoys a position of high standing in

business circles in this community.

Mr. Roy was born at St. Anselme, near the city of Quebec, Canada, son of Pierre and Clarida Roy. His father was a carpenter.

After completing his formal schooling, Anselme D. Roy started work at an early age. In 1915 he was engaged in the transporting of goods with a horse and wagon. Four years later he bought his first truck, which he and his brother drove. Mechanized transportation made it possible for them to increase their business, until they were able to add substantially to the number of trucks in their equipment. In January, 1947, they formed the present firm of Roy Brothers, in Lewiston, which now operates eighteen trucks and trailers, and carries on their extensive transportation business.

To the development of this company, Mr. Roy has given almost his whole time over a long period of years. He has enjoyed building up the company, and counts work among his favorite interests and hobbies. He also enjoys music, and is a member of the Musical Literary Club. He is a member of the Roman Catholic Church of St. Peter and St. Paul.

Anselme D. Roy married, in 1916, in Lewiston, Eva Rocheleau. They became the parents of two children: 1. Lydia, now Mrs. Lydia (Roy) Laurendeau. 2. Robert A. (q.v.)

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#### **AMES, Forrest Bertram, M.D.**

Specializing in the field of Roentgenology, Dr. Forrest Bertram Ames of Bangor has, during more than a quarter of a century, built up an excellent reputation in the field of medicine. Dr. Ames, who had long served as Roentgenologist at the Eastern Maine General Hospital in Bangor, resigned this position April 1, 1949 to





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devote himself to private practice, with offices at 255 Hammond Street. He was president of the Maine Medical Association in 1948-49, and has for many years played an active part in various professional organizations.

Dr. Ames, like many of the successful professional men of Bangor, was born in that city, his birth date being May 16, 1891. He is a son of Charles H. and Georgia M. (Varney) Ames. His advanced education was obtained at the University of Maine, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1913, and at Harvard Medical School, which conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1919. From 1919 to 1923 Dr. Ames interned at the Boston City Hospital and served several other Boston hospitals, with special emphasis upon work in roentgenology. He served as X-ray consultant at the Boston City Hospital before coming back to Bangor to accept the post of Roentgenologist at the Eastern Maine General Hospital, specializing in X-ray diagnosis and treatment. For twenty-six years, from 1923 to 1949, Dr. Ames ably filled this position, which has made him favorably known to thousands of eastern and northern Maine people. He has also served as a member of the staffs of the Mount Desert Island Hospital and the Madigan Memorial and Presque Isle General hospitals. Other posts held have been chairmanship of the Penobscot County Chapter of the American Red Cross; vice chairmanship of the school board; membership in the Bangor City Council; directorship of the Maine Public Health Association, and presidency of the Maine Cancer Society. During World War II Dr. Ames served as Roentgenologist for the Bangor draft board.

Dr. Ames is immediate past president of the Maine Medical Association, fellow

of the American Medical Association and past secretary of the Penobscot County Medical Society. Prominent among his colleagues in the field of his specialty, he is an active member of the North American Radiological Society, the American Roentgen Ray Society, and the American College of Radiology, and serves as counselor for the state of Maine for these organizations. He belongs to Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Beta Kappa fraternities.

He holds the Thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of the Masons and belongs to the Anah Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a York Rite Mason. Locally, he is a member and past president of the Executives Club, a member and past president of the Bangor Rotary Club, and a charter member and past president of the City Club. He is a Republican in his politics, and a leading member of All Souls Congregational Church, where he has served as moderator and chairman of the executive committee, and is now clerk.

Dr. Ames has purchased the property at 255 Hammond Street from Mrs. Walter A. Danforth, and has converted the residence into offices for his X-ray work.

In Boston, Massachusetts, on June 8, 1921, Dr. Forrest Bertram Ames was married to Mildred Mabel Wilder of that city, daughter of Edward B. and Mabel W. Wilder. Dr. and Mrs. Ames are the parents of four children: 1. Barbara, born March 20, 1922, died April 26, 1928. 2. Janice Margery, born July 29, 1923. She is a graduate of Bangor High School and of Simmons College, in Boston, and is married to the Rev. James E. Hawkins. They are the parents of two children, James R., and Barbara A. 3. Marilyn Louise, born August 3, 1929, a graduate of Bangor High School and now a student



at Wheelock College, Boston, Massachusetts. 4. Priscilla Jean, born September 9, 1933, a student at Northfield School for Girls.

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**DAVIS, Reverend Michael P.**

Well known and respected in both the ecclesiastical and secular world, Father Michael P. Davis is administrator of the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart in Portland. He is former principal of the Cheverus Classical High School of Portland and also former director of Camp Pesquasawasis at Poland.

Father Davis was born in Lewiston on April 11, 1904, the son of John and Mary (Hagerty) Davis. His father, a native of Ireland, came to America in his youth and almost immediately settled at Lewiston, where he was a laborer. He died in 1937. The mother, who, like her son, was born in Lewiston, died in 1927.

The future priest received his early education in the parochial and public schools of Lewiston. In 1920 he was graduated from the Lewiston High School. He continued his education at Holy Cross College in Worcester, Massachusetts, where in 1924 he was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts. To prepare for the priesthood Father Davis went to St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, Maryland, and in 1927 was granted the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Theology. In 1928 he was ordained to the priesthood at the Cathedral of the Assumption in Baltimore. Two years earlier, St. Mary's awarded him the degree of Master of Arts.

In 1928 Father Davis returned to his native Maine and became assistant pastor of his present church, the Sacred Heart. He held this post until 1932, when he was made principal of Cheverus Classical High School, and there he re-

mained for ten years. In 1942 he returned to Sacred Heart Church and in 1947 was advanced to administrator. Through the years—1928 to 1948—Father Davis served as director of the camp at Poland. His reputation as spiritual leader, educator and worker on behalf of young people extends into the secular community.

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**PERKINS, Walter H.**

Leader in an important industry in Portland, Walter H. Perkins is president and general manager of the Maine Dairy, Inc. He has been engaged in the dairy business throughout most of his career, has served as a member of the state's milk control board, and has been active in fraternal affairs.

Mr. Perkins is a son of Fred W. and Lovisa (Burns) Perkins, and was born in Auburn, September 3, 1887. His father was also a native of Auburn, who followed the occupations of farming and shoe making. His mother, the former Lovisa Burns, was a native of New Gloucester, Maine. Both parents are deceased, and are buried at Auburn.

After attending the public elementary schools in Auburn, Walter H. Perkins worked from 1902-1906 with the Turner Center Creamery, then entered Kents Hill Seminary. In 1906-1907, and after graduation in June, 1907, he returned to the Turner Center Creamery, remaining until 1910.

In 1910 Mr. Perkins, well qualified to begin his business career, associated himself with the firm of H. P. Hood and Sons at Whitefield, New Hampshire, with which concern he remained until 1919. In that year, Mr. Perkins entered the field with which he has been identified since, joining the Luce Cream Company of Somerville with which he remained

until November, 1921. Since that year, Mr. Perkins has been associated with Maine Dairy, Inc., in Portland, and after seven years with that firm became, in 1928, its president and general manager. The dairy is located at 173 to 179 Fore Street, and has won an excellent name for its service to the people of Portland.

Mr. Perkins, who is recognized among dairymen throughout the state, served as one of the original members of the Maine Milk Control Board. He is a Republican in his politics. In local affairs, he is past president of the South Portland Lions Club, and is now a member of the Portland Lions Club.

Enjoying many fraternal affiliations, Mr. Perkins is a member of Ancient Brothers Lodge, No. 178, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Auburn, Hiram Chapter No. 70 in South Portland, and the Portland Council No. 4 of the Royal and Select Masters. He is past commander of St. Alban Commandery of the Knights Templar in Portland, and is also affiliated with the bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, up to and including the Thirty-second degree. He is also a member of the Maine Conclave of the Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine. He is a member of all Shrine Clubs, and of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Perkins is a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau and he and his family attend Woodfords Congregational Church. He greatly enjoys, in addition to his fraternal occupations, the outdoor sports of fishing and hunting.

At Auburn, September 27, 1910, Walter H. Perkins married Lena Mae Carver of Auburn, daughter of Warren and Estella (Moore) Carver. Mr. and Mrs. Perkins are the parents of two children: 1.

Margaret Estella, who was born at the Central Maine General Hospital in Lewiston on May 14, 1914. She graduated from Deering High School in Portland, and from Bates College. In the chapel of Bates College, Margaret Estella Perkins married Neal Thomas Skillings of Portland. Mr. Skillings is a graduate of Bowdoin College, and is now principal of Skowhegan High School. They are the parents of one son, John Carver Skillings, born at Portland. 2. Richard Carver, who attended Portland elementary schools, graduated from South Portland High School, Hebron Academy, and Portland Junior College. During World War II, from 1943 to 1946, he served in the United States Navy, holding the rank of ensign, and experiencing considerable action in the Pacific Theater of Operations. At the termination of his period of service, Richard Carver Perkins returned to his studies, and graduated in the class of 1947 from Bowdoin College. He is now associated with the Canal National Bank. He married, June 25, 1948, Elizabeth Dyer of South Portland. He retains membership in the reserves of the United States Navy.

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#### **FAIR, Frederick Willis**

Associated with The Prudential Insurance Company of America throughout his career, Frederick Willis Fair has been since 1945 manager for the Maine-New Hampshire area. His thorough knowledge of insurance has made his counsel valuable throughout his territory. He has rendered creditable service to his country in two world wars, and is a popular and active fraternalist.

Mr. Fair is a native of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and was born July 3, 1900, son of Frederick Leedom and Rebecca Ann (Willis) Fair. His father, who was



born in Landisville, New Jersey, was with The Prudential Insurance Company of America for forty-five years prior to his retirement at the age of sixty-five. Now at the age of eighty he resides at "Hillcrest," Sebago Lake, the home of his son. The family moved to Maine when Frederick Willis Fair was six years of age. They settled in Augusta, where the elder Frederick Fair engaged in the developing of Maine territory north of Portland and Lewiston for The Prudential Insurance Company. Thus his son was brought up as a resident of the Pine Tree State, with an appreciation and understanding of the insurance business.

Frederick Willis Fair attended the public elementary schools in Augusta, until 1913, when the family moved to Bangor. There he concluded his secondary education, graduating from the Bangor High School in 1920. He associated himself, shortly after graduation, with The Prudential Insurance Company of America; during 1921-1922 was connected with the Boston office in the capacity of salesman. In the latter year he returned to Bangor, from 1922 to 1925 served the company as salesman there. From 1925 to 1930, Mr. Fair was assistant manager in one of the Philadelphia offices of Prudential; he returned to Maine as manager for the Maine-New Hampshire area in 1930, remaining until 1934 at the Portland office.

From 1934 to 1945, Mr. Fair was in Boston as manager for Massachusetts; in the latter year, at his own request, he returned to Maine, being assigned the responsibilities of manager of his previous area, Maine-New Hampshire. Mr. Fair's offices are located in the Chapman Building at 477 Congress Street, Portland.

Active in Masonry, Frederick Willis Fair is a member of Soley Lodge, in Som-

erville, Massachusetts, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He is a member of all bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite up to and including the Thirty-second degree, and is a member of the Kora Temple at Lewiston of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Fair is also a member of the Royal Order of Jesters. For diversion, Mr. Fair prefers outdoor activities, especially boating.

During World War I, Frederick Willis Fair was a member of the Reserve Officers Training Corps at Bangor. During World War II, he was enrolled in the Temporary Reserve of the United States Coast Guard.

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#### **HIGGINS, Donald Shackley**

Throughout his career, Donald Shackley Higgins has been successfully engaged in the insurance business, and has largely devoted his energies to one company, the Travelers Insurance Company, of Hartford, Connecticut, which he has for a quarter of a century served as general agent for Eastern Maine. He has been most active, too, in the lodge affairs and club activities of his home community of Bangor, as well as a prominent figure among his colleagues in insurance organizations.

Donald Shackley Higgins is a son of Leon Forrest and Josephine Helen (Shackley) Higgins. His father, a native of Ellsworth, was for more than twenty-five years, and to the time of his death, also general agent for Eastern Maine representing the Travelers Insurance Company. He died July 28, 1923. His wife, the former Josephine Helen Shackley, was a native of Brewer.

Also born at Brewer, January 6, 1897, Donald Shackley Higgins attended pub-





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lic schools there, and graduated from the high school in 1915. He then attended Bowdoin College, graduating cum laude in 1919 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, having been elected life secretary of his class. Mr. Higgins at once became associated with the Travelers Insurance Company, and in 1919, he worked in the main office at Hartford, Connecticut, for a year, where he pursued a thorough training course. In 1920 he came to Bangor, and in 1923 he was made a general agent for the company, succeeding his father, with whom he had been associated since coming to Bangor. He has remained with the company as general agent for Eastern Maine since that time, compiling an enviable record for loyal and skillful service covering over a quarter of a century.

Mr. Higgins' prominence in business circles is not confined to his insurance connection. He is active also in banking, a trustee of the Bangor Savings Bank and director of the Bangor Loan and Building Association. He is a member and past president of the Eastern Maine Life Underwriters Association, and member also of the Maine Association of Insurance Agents and the National Association of Insurance Agents. His record of service to his community is an impressive one. He is president of the board of managers of the Bangor Public Library; trustee of the Home for Aged Men; trustee of the Home for Aged Women; trustee of the Eastern Maine General Hospital; trustee of the Bangor Theological Seminary; and a member of the advisory committee of the Salvation Army. He has also been a director of the Bangor Community Chest and the Bangor Chamber of Commerce. He is also a trustee of the Good Samaritan Home, and president of the board of trustees of the First Metho-

dist Church of Brewer, of which he has long been a devoted communicant.

Mr. Higgins is a member of all Bangor Masonic bodies; past master of St. Andrew's Lodge; Past High Priest of Mount Moriah Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Past Illustrious Master of the Bangor Council; Past Commander of St. John's Commandery; Past Thrice Potent Master of Eastern Star Lodge of Perfection; Past sovereign Prince of Palestine Council of Princes of Jerusalem; and Past Most Wise Master of the Bangor Chapter of Rose Croix. He received the honorary Thirty-third degree of the Scottish Rite on September 27, 1939. He also holds membership in Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His local Masonic organizations are the Masonic Club of Bangor and the Past Officers Association.

While in Bowdoin College, Mr. Higgins became a member of Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, and of Phi Beta Kappa. Locally, he is a member of the Rotary Club of Bangor, the Tarratine Club, the Bangor Executives Club, the Lucerne Beach Club, the Penobscot Valley Country Club, and the Penobscot County Bowdoin Club, of which he is past president. Mr. Higgins is a Republican in his politics.

During World War I, Mr. Higgins served in the United States Navy with the rank of ensign. He trained at the Officers' Training School in Plattsburg in the summer of 1917; enlisted in the United States Naval Reserve in the fall of that year; was commissioned an ensign at Harvard Ensign School in 1919; and received his honorable discharge in that year.

At South Freeport, October 21, 1922, Donald Shackley Higgins married Marian Persis Harvey, daughter of William



James and Estella I. (Ineson) Harvey. Their five children are: 1. Leon Forrest, 2nd, born December 6, 1923. He served during World War II in the Air Corps, saw action as a pilot stationed in Egypt, and attained the rank of lieutenant. 2. Elizabeth H., born May 27, 1925. 3. Donald S., Jr., born October 28, 1926. He served during World War II as radarman first class in the United States Navy. 4. Julie Anne, born October 8, 1935. 5. William Harvey, born December 29, 1941. The family makes its residence at Royal Road in Bangor; and Mr. Higgins' office is at 27 State Street.

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**PETTAPIECE, Dr. M. Carman**

Dr. M. Carman Pettapiece, osteopathic physician and since 1937 head of the X-ray department of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine, in Portland, was born November 12, 1908 in Ottawa, Canada, the son of Richard Wesley and Mertie (Morehouse) Pettapiece.

Dr. Pettapiece is a graduate of the Lisgar Collegiate Institute of Ottawa and of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy in 1932. He served as intern at the Philadelphia Osteopathic Hospital from 1932 to 1934. From 1934 to 1937 he practiced at Camden, Maine, in association with his brother, Dr. H. J. Pettapiece (q.v.). Since 1937 Dr. M. Carman Pettapiece has been practicing in Portland, as a roentgenologist, and head of the X-ray department of the Osteopathic Hospital of Portland. During World War II Dr. Pettapiece was medical officer with rank of captain in the Maine Wing Civil Air Patrol and at present holds the rank of major in this auxiliary of the United States Air Force. In 1940 he was certi-

fied by the American Board of Radiology as an X-ray specialist. Dr. Pettapiece is a past president of the Maine Osteopathic Association, and currently is serving as president of the American Osteopathic College of Radiology. He is a director of the New England Osteopathic Association, and a member of the Graduate Council of the Graduate School of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy. He is a past president of the staff of the Maine Osteopathic Hospital at Portland. Dr. Pettapiece is a member of the Woodfords Club, the Toastmasters Club, the Reciprocity Club and the Purpoodock Country Club of Portland, and fraternally he is affiliated with Amity Lodge No. 6, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at Camden; Keystone Chapter, Royal Arch Masons at Camden; Portland Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar at Portland; and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Lewiston. Dr. Pettapiece is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He is chairman of Boy Scout Council Troop 69 of Portland, and teaches a class in the Sunday school of the Woodfords Congregational Church, of which he is a member.

On January 3, 1932 at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, Dr. Pettapiece was married to Ferne Moore of Blue Rapids, Kansas, the daughter of Jesse and Elizabeth (Cram) Moore. Dr. and Mrs. Pettapiece have two children: 1. M. Carman, Jr., born in Camden on June 22, 1936, a student at Lincoln Junior High School. 2. Patricia E., born in Portland on April 25, 1940.

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**PETTAPIECE, Dr. Harry J.**

Osteopathic physician and surgeon at Portland specializing in eye, ear, nose and throat, Dr. Harry J. Pettapiece was

born September 30, 1899 in Ottawa, Canada, the son of Richard Wesley and Mertie (Morehouse) Pettapiece.

Dr. Pettapiece attended the Ottawa schools. He served in the Canadian Motor Transport from May, 1918 to October, 1919 and was on duty overseas for thirteen months. Upon returning to civilian life he continued his studies and took his general training for his profession at the Massachusetts College of Osteopathy at Boston, from which he graduated in 1925. He practiced at Camden, Maine, from 1925 to 1944. Then he received a fellowship for postgraduate work in eye, ear, nose and throat in the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery, and after studying there for eighteen months he established a specialized practice in eye, ear, nose and throat on October 1, 1945 in Portland.

Dr. Pettapiece is a certified member of the American Osteopathic College of Ophthalmology and Otorhinolaryngology. He is past president of the Maine Osteopathic Association, and served ten years on the Osteopathic State Board of Examiners and Registration. He is past medical director of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine at Portland, and maintains close connections with this hospital. Dr. Pettapiece is a past president of the Camden Rotary Club, and he is vice president of the Reciprocity Club of Portland. Fraternally he is affiliated with Amity Lodge No. 6 at Camden, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Camden Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Camden Commandery, Knights Templar; and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Bangor.

At Bangor Dr. Pettapiece married Irene A. Murray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Murray. Dr. and Mrs. Pettapiece have one daughter, Joyce, who

is now a student at Mary A. Burnham School, Northampton, Massachusetts.

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**BEAUCHAMP, Edward J.**

Practicing law in Lewiston, Edward J. Beauchamp has an office at 163 Lisbon Street.

Mr. Beauchamp was born July 13, 1909, in Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, son of Dr. J. O. Beauchamp, an eye specialist, of Springfield, Massachusetts. After completing his preliminary studies, Edward J. Beauchamp entered the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., where he was graduated in 1930, as a Bachelor of Arts. He received his Bachelor of Laws degree from National University, Washington, D. C., in 1933, and the degree of Master of Laws from Boston University, in 1936. Immediately he began his own practice in Lewiston, where he is now a member of the Androscoggin County Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association, and the Federal District Bar Association.

Mr. Beauchamp has taken a lively interest in public affairs. A former mayor of Lewiston, he served as county attorney from 1938 to 1940, and in 1948 was elected again to this office to serve until 1950. He was defeated as a candidate for congressman from the 2nd District in 1946. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Canadian Circle, and the Montagnard Club, and belongs to the Roman Catholic Church of Saints Peter and Paul. During World War II he served in the army as a private, first class, from 1941 to 1945. In spare time his favorite interest is a one-hundred-and-sixty-acre farm.

Edward J. Beauchamp married, at Lewiston, October 11, 1937, Gaetane Ladouceur. They became the parents of one daughter, Michele Beauchamp, born February 11, 1946.



**ARMSTRONG, Dr. James Sherwood**

In the field of osteopathy, Dr. James Sherwood Armstrong has risen to prominence during the decade and more that he has engaged in the practice of his profession in Camden. His preparation for his chosen work is broad; his service to clients both in office and his hospital is especially reputed, and his identification with osteopathic associations are indicative of his constant endeavor to keep in contact with colleagues and modern developments. In community life he is a highly esteemed citizen, one always ready to co-operate with projects undertaken to promote the best interests of the city.

Born at Somerville, Massachusetts, on February 16, 1910, Dr. Armstrong is the son of James R. and Minnie F. (Cunningham) Armstrong. His mother died in January, 1948. The father has long been connected with the automotive industry. The future doctor was prepared for college in the Somerville High School, and matriculated at Boston University. After two years of formal studies he entered the Massachusetts College of Osteopathy from which he was graduated in 1934. For something more than a year Dr. Armstrong was an intern in the Boston City Hospital. In 1936 he passed the examinations required by Maine and during the following year established himself in practice at Camden.

Since 1937 Dr. Armstrong has become increasingly prominent in his profession, and by his skilled work has contributed to the popularity of osteopathy. Of it he is a constant and serious student; is an admirable exemplar of modern technique in his science, and a leader who encourages others to make a career of osteopathy. Dr. Armstrong founded and operates the Armstrong Private Hospital, in Camden, specializing in obstetrics. He likewise

serves on the staffs of the Bangor Osteopathic Hospital and the Portland Osteopathic Hospital, in these cities. Along professional lines, he is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the New England Osteopathic Association, the Maine Osteopathic Association, and the Tri-County Osteopathic Association, of which he is president. Fraternally he is affiliated with Amity Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Camden; the Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Commandery, Knights Templar; the York Rite; Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and the Order of the Eastern Star; and is a member and former president of the Lions Club. In politics he is a Republican. He attends the Baptist Church.

At Somerville, Massachusetts, on June 11, 1938, Dr. James Sherwood Armstrong married Vivian G. Nye, of Arrowsic, Maine, daughter of Captain Henry L. and Ora L. Nye, her father having been a whaler. Mrs. Armstrong is a graduate of the New England Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing, a registered nurse, and assists her husband in the operation of his private hospital. Dr. and Mrs. Armstrong are the parents of two daughters:

1. Sandra Joan, born November 22, 1940.
2. Karen Nye, born July 16, 1943.

**FOSS, Colonel Reginald E.**

A native of Skowhegan, Colonel Reginald E. Foss served with great distinction in the United States Army, both in World War I and World War II, and was awarded a number of the most coveted military decorations for his acts of heroism in Europe and Asia. Colonel Foss has been since 1922 associated with the brokerage firm of Coffin & Burr at 70 Pine Street in New York City, but he has





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never broken the ties with the state of his birth.

He was born March 10, 1888 in Skowhegan, the son of Uriah L. and Emily (Wheeler) Foss, his father being a farmer. Colonel Foss is a graduate of Bowdoin College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1912. He took postgraduate work at Cambridge University, in Cambridge, England, where he was affiliated with Downing College.

During World War I Colonel Foss served in the United States Army as a captain of infantry in the 26th Yankee Division and took part in the battles of the Argonne, St. Mihiel, Chateau Thierry, the Aisne and the Marne. He was awarded the Croix de Guerre, five battle stars and a defense star. After the end of World War I he remained in the United States Army Reserve, with rank of captain. He joined the brokerage firm of Coffin & Burr in New York City in 1922.

During World War II Colonel Foss again served brilliantly in the United States Army. He was assistant chief of intelligence to the 20th Bomber Command of the Air Force, working with B-29s in the China-Burma-India Theater of Operation, and in the fall of 1944 was a member of the first military mission to Communist China. Later he became chief of intelligence of the 8th Air Force on Okinawa. He was awarded the bronze star and also five battle stars for distinguished service in World War II. Colonel Foss served until the end of the war.

In New York City he married on January 12, 1946, Catherine Cooke, and they have a son, John Chadbourne Foss.

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**BLACKWOOD, Alfred Alton**

Owner and operator of funeral homes in

eastern Maine since 1927, Alfred Alton Blackwood is now one of the leaders in the field in that region. He operates the Blackwood Funeral Home at Jonesport. He formerly operated as a funeral director in Pembroke and Machias. He is well known in professional, civic and trade organizations, as well as in the Masonic fraternity.

Mr. Blackwood was born in Pembroke on January 5, 1903, the son of William A. and Maude May (Rhodes) Blackwood, and of Scottish ancestry. The father was a railroadman. After attending public school in Pembroke, Alfred A. Blackwood studied in the Shaw Business College at Bangor and then went to the New England Institute of Anatomy and Embalming in Boston, from which he was graduated in October, 1927. The following month he passed the Maine State Board of Examiners' tests in embalming and receiving his license to practice in the state, immediately established himself in the business. From 1927 to 1930 he operated the Blackwood Funeral Home in Pembroke. On November 3, 1930, he opened the Blackwood Funeral Home in Jonesport, and this he has operated since that time. He has made it one of the leaders in its field in eastern Maine. For about a year and one-half Mr. Blackwood was also in business as a funeral director in Machias. There, from October, 1947, to February, 1949, he owned the Frye and Hanscom Funeral Home. This he sold to Virgil Gardner.

Mr. Blackwood is exceedingly active in civic affairs and in organizational work. In World War II, he worked on War Bond and other war-related home-front programs. He is a Republican and a Congregationalist. His organizations include the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, of which he was vice



president in 1949; the Machias Chamber of Commerce; the Jonesport Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Order of the Eastern Star, the Maine State Grange, the Rebekahs, the National Association of Funeral Directors, the Maine Association of Funeral Directors, the Eckels Research Foundation; the Jonesport Blue Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; the Royal Arch Masons, the York Rite, and the Knights Templar. He holds the Thirty-second degree in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and is a Noble of Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Bangor.

Mr. Blackwood married Amanda G. Cheverie, the daughter of Charles A. and Amanda (Inglesbie) Cheverie, on November 3, 1928. Mrs. Blackwood is also a licensed funeral director, having passed the Maine Board of Examiners on August 24, 1939. She and Mr. Blackwood have two sons and a daughter: Alfred Alton Blackwood, born on May 21, 1930, who in 1949 was a senior at the Jonesport High School; and William and Patricia Blackwood, twins, who were born on July 17, 1933. In 1949, the twins were sophomores at the Jonesport High School.

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**DUFRESNE, Armand A., Jr.**

Probate Judge of the Androscoggin County Court, Armand A. Dufresne, Jr., is a prominent figure in the life of the city.

He was born at Auburn, Maine, in 1909, son of Armand and Emelina Dufresne, his father being the co-owner of the Maine Baking Company. Judge Dufresne began his education in grammar school at Newburyport, Massachusetts and later attended high school at St. Charles Borromeo. He continued at St. Charles Borromeo College, at Sher-

brooke, Province of Quebec, where he was duly graduated. Going to Montreal, he studied for two years in the Seminary of Philosophy, and received the degree Bachelor of Arts from the Montreal University. He matriculated at Boston College, Boston, and on being graduated a Bachelor of Laws, was admitted to the bar of Maine. Establishing a general practice of his profession in Lewiston, this State, Judge Dufresne has risen high in the esteem of colleagues and clients.

Public-spirited and progressive, Judge Dufresne has long been connected with politics and civic affairs. He was corporation counsel for the City of Lewiston for two terms; was assistant county attorney for a term, and for two terms was Androscoggin County Attorney. One of the results of his excellent services as a public official was his election to the Androscoggin County Probate Court, where after four years he was re-elected to a term of like length which has several years to run. Socially inclined, Judge Dufresne is affiliated with the Society of St. Jean Baptiste; the Fraternal Order of Foresters, the Vigilantes, the Canado-American Association, and the Musical and Literary Club. He worships at the Roman Catholic Church of Saints Peter and Paul, and is liberal in his contributions to religious and charitable works.

In 1939 Armand A. Dufresne, Jr., married Colette Thibault, and they are the parents of two children: Louise and Pauline.

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**DROUIN, Father François, O.P.**

For many years the Reverend François Drouin has made a notable contribution to the spiritual life of both Canada and New England. SS. Peter and Paul Church in Lewiston, of which he is now pastor, is





SS. PETER AND PAUL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, LEWISTON





one of the largest Roman Catholic parishes in this New England district.

Father Drouin was born July 1, 1901, in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, son of Arthur Drouin, a contractor. He attended primary and high schools and college in Ottawa, and received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Laval University in the City of Quebec. He studied philosophy and theology at the Dominican College in Ottawa, and became a Doctor of Theology, in Fribourg, Switzerland. During his European stay, he attended summer lectures at Oxford University, and in 1930, he also had special work at the University of Toronto. Before going to Switzerland, he taught history for two years at the Institute of Mediaeval Studies. After returning to Canada, he taught dogmatic theology at the Dominican House of Studies, in Ottawa, in 1937, when he was appointed a Superior at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

He was next appointed Diocesan Director of Catholic Action in Prince Albert, there continuing until transferred to Lewiston, Maine, in 1940. Aside from his work with the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, which has been highly important, Father Drouin has gained distinction as an educator. It was in 1941 that he created St. Dominic High School, which started with fifty students and now has four hundred and seventy. Father Drouin has also interested himself in Catholic Charities and other activities on behalf of his church and his community. He is a proud possessor of one of the six plaques presented by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks to those credited with making Lewiston a better place to live in.

His parish sponsors the Holy Name Society, the Ladies of St. Ann, the Sodality of Mary, the Choral Society of St. Peter and St. Paul, the Ladies of Charity,

the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, the St. Dominic's Boosters Club, two Girl Scouts troops and other organizations. He is director of fund-raising campaigns on behalf of St. Mary's Hospital, and represents the Catholic Charities on the Lewiston-Auburn Community Chest Board. He is also superintendent of St. Peter's Cemetery in Lewiston. One of Father Drouin's outstanding interests is music, and he plays the violin.

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#### **BERMAN, Benjamin L.**

Engaged in a practice of law in Lewiston, Benjamin L. Berman has carried on his work from his offices in Lisbon Street, this city, since September, 1914.

Mr. Berman was born November 23, 1892, in Lewiston, son of Herman I. Berman, a Lewiston merchant. After completing his preliminary studies, he entered Boston University, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws, in 1914, magna cum laude. Immediately he began his practice of law in Lisbon Street, where he has continued active down to the time of writing. His brother, David V. Berman, joined him in this legal office in 1926.

In addition to his private practice of law, Mr. Berman served in 1921 and 1922, and again in 1925 and 1926, as state's attorney for Maine, in Androscoggin County. From 1929 to 1933, he served as judge of probate in that county. He is a member of the Maine Bar Association, the Massachusetts Bar Association, the Federal District Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. He is a charter member of the Lewiston Post of the American Legion, and a social member of the Young Men's Christian Association. Fraternally he is connected with the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith,

the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Patrons of Husbandry and the Free and Accepted Masons. In the Masonic order he is affiliated with Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a director of the Jewish Home for the Aged, and honorary president for life of Beth Jacob Synagog in Lewiston. During World War I, Mr. Berman served in the army in 1918. In spare time he is devoted to reading when not engaged in one or another of the interesting aspects of his work as a lawyer.

In Boston, in 1927, Benjamin Berman married, first, Cecile Hebenstreit who died in 1929. They were the parents of a son, C. Martin Berman, born in 1929, who became a student at the University of Maine. Mr. Berman married, second, Olga Woolf, in 1944, in New York City.

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**LAUN, Louis F.**

In association with the Bates Manufacturing Company, Louis F. Laun has performed an important work in both Lewiston, Maine, and New York City. He is now assistant to the president of the company, in charge of industrial and public relations in Lewiston.

Mr. Laun was born in 1920, at Battle Creek, Michigan, son of Louis F. Laun, a leader in physical education. After completing his studies in primary and secondary schools, the younger Louis F. Laun entered Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree. At the university he served as chairman of the Yale "Record" and became a member of the Scroll and Key society and the Fence Club. He had hardly completed his studies before the United States entered World War II. Entering the Marine

Corps in July, 1942, with the rank of private, first class, he continued his service until honorably discharged as a captain in 1946. He saw extensive Pacific service at Iwo Jima and in the occupation of Japan, and won the Bronze Star in recognition of his contribution to the victorious outcome of the war.

Upon returning to civilian life he joined Bates Fabrics, Inc., a subsidiary of the Bates Manufacturing Company. His first work in that connection with the company was assistant advertising manager. Gaining invaluable experience during his work there, Mr. Laun came, in May, 1948, to Lewiston, where he was appointed assistant to the president and given charge of industrial and public relations of the parent company. Not only does he continue his business activity at the same time, but he is active also in civic and social affairs in Lewiston. He is a member of the Rotary Club, a director of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Sleepy Hollow Country Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the honorary society of Phi Beta Kappa. His favorite sport is tennis. In spare time he does considerable writing, having collaborated on a musical comedy, "Small Wonder," produced in New York City.

In Lexington, Massachusetts, January 25, 1947, Louis F. Laun married Margaret West. They became the parents of a daughter, Nancy Laun, born in March, 1948.

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**BEAL, George E.**

Since 1940 superintendent of schools in South Portland, George E. Beal has been associated with the South Portland school system for thirty years and is warmly regarded by the many hundreds of the city's inhabitants who have come in close contact with him in the South Portland High



School and elsewhere. Mr. Beal is prominent in the educational associations of New England, having served in the past as president of the New England Association of Secondary Schools, president of the Maine Principals Association and president of the Maine Superintendents Association.

He was born July 15, 1894 in Lisbon Falls, the son of George W. and Delvina E. (Coombs) Beal. His father, who was a native of Woolwich, Maine, was in the contracting business at Lisbon Falls and served as chairman of the water board there. He died in 1930. Mr. Beal's mother, who is a native of Bowdoin, is ninety-two and a resident of Lisbon Falls.

George E. Beal graduated from the Lisbon Falls High School in 1912 and from Bowdoin College in 1916, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. His alma mater granted him an honorary degree in 1941. He also received the degree of Master of Arts from Bates College in 1934. After his graduation from Bowdoin in 1916, Mr. Beal became principal of the high school at New Gloucester, Maine, a post he filled for two years. During World War I he was a member of the United States Naval Reserve and advanced from seaman to ensign, serving from 1918 to 1919. In 1919 he came to South Portland as sub-master in the South Portland High School. He was made principal of the South Portland High School in 1925 and ably filled this position until 1940, when he was made superintendent of the South Portland school system, the post he holds today. He is an active member of the Maine Superintendents Association, of which he is a past president, and has also served as president of the Maine Principals Association and the New England Association of Secondary Schools. Mr. Beal

is a past District Governor of the Lions Club for the state of Maine and a leading member of the South Portland Lions Club. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient York Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at Lisbon Falls, and Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons at South Portland. He has been a member of the jury commission of Cumberland County since its inception in 1935. During World War II Mr. Beal was a member and chairman of Selective Service Board No. 4 of Cumberland County and he is also a member of the present Selective Service Board. His hobbies are gardening and golf.

On June 9, 1918 at Lisbon Falls, George E. Beal was married to Gertrude E. Hall, the daughter of Fred P. and Gertrude (Mains) Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Beal are the parents of three children: 1. Donald I. Beal, born December 9, 1919. He is a graduate of the South Portland High School and of Bowdoin College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1941. During World War II he served as a captain in the United States Army Air Corps. He is now associated with Deering Milliken Company of New York, a textile concern, in its Union, South Carolina plant. He has two daughters: Katherine, born in Portland, and Carol Ann, born at Lewiston. 2. Norman H. Beal, born October 6, 1921 at South Portland. He is a graduate of South Portland High School and of Bowdoin College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1942. During World War II he served as meteorologist in the United States Army Air Corps and was stationed in the European Theater of Operations. He is now associated with the General Electric Company at Schenectady, New York. He has a son, Carl George Beal, born in Portland. 3. Beverly



Beal, born in South Portland June 7, 1925. She is a graduate of South Portland High School and of Skidmore College at Saratoga Springs, New York, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1946. In 1947 she was married to Willard E. Neal of Washington, D. C. Mr. Neal served in the United States Army Air Corps as a bombardier during World War II. Mr. and Mrs. Neal now live at Arlington, and they are the parents of a son, Clifford Keith Neal, born in Washington, D. C.

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**WILLARD, Philip G.**

Practicing law in Portland, Philip G. Willard is recognized as one of this community's leading professional men. He has also rendered valuable public service as a member of the South Portland City Council.

Mr. Willard was born June 15, 1906, at South Portland, son of John E. and Charlotte M. (Grant) Willard. His father was also a native of South Portland, where he became a pioneer in the lobster business, conducting his own extensive wholesale establishment at Central Wharf, Portland. The mother was born in Waterville.

Portland schools provided Philip G. Willard's early education through the high school grades. Then he entered Yale University, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1927. For his professional studies, he went to the law school of Harvard University, where he received the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1930. In that year, he entered the practice of his profession as a member of the Massachusetts Bar Association, being admitted to the Maine Bar Association three years later. His practice is of a general nature, covering all phases and branches of his profession. He is also

interested in business affairs in Portland, notably as a director of the Proprietors Central Wharf and of the Willard-Daggett Company. He belongs to the Cumberland County Bar Association and the American Bar Association, as well as to the Cumberland Club and the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity at Yale. He is a member of the North Congregational Church in South Portland. In spare time he enjoys outdoor sports, particularly hunting and fishing at his own camp at Ranglely Lakes.

Philip G. Willard married June 17, 1933, in Newton, Massachusetts, Narcissa P. Varney, daughter of Everett W. and Annie (Pepper) Varney. Mrs. Willard attended the University of Illinois and Smith College. They became the parents of three children, all born in Portland: 1. Philip G., Jr., born May 10, 1935. 2. Dana G., born September 14, 1937. 3. Barbara P., born on October 30, 1943.

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**MILLER, Thor, M.D.**

Since 1931 Dr. Thor Miller has been devoting himself to the health and welfare of his fellow citizens at Westbrook and to activities aimed at general community betterment and development. Prominent in southwestern Maine, he is on the staffs of Portland's three major hospitals.

Dr. Miller was born in Portland on November 19, 1900, the son of Andrew C. W. and Amelia (Thorsager) Miller. Both his parents were born in Denmark. They came to Maine when still young and settled in Portland, where Andrew Miller became a successful contractor.

Dr. Miller began his education in Portland's public schools. In 1919 he was graduated from the Deering High School and four years later he took the degree of Bachelor of Arts at the University of Maine. For his professional training he



*Philip G. Villard*





went to the Boston University School of Medicine, which in 1930 awarded him the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Before he began the study of medicine, Dr. Miller taught school at Parsonsfield, Maine, for a short time. From 1927 to 1930, before he obtained his medical degree, he was a junior intern and medical clerk at Massachusetts Memorial Hospital in Boston. From July, 1930, after obtaining the professional degree, until June, 1931, he was an intern at Bridgeport Hospital in Bridgeport, Connecticut. On completing his internship Dr. Miller returned to Maine and since July 7, 1931, has been in the general practice of medicine and surgery in Westbrook. His office, as well as his home, is at 752 Main Street. He is on the staffs of the Mercy Hospital and the Maine Eye and Ear Hospital in Portland, and on the courtesy staff of the Maine General Hospital.

He is a member of the Maine Medical Association, the Cumberland County Medical Society and the American Medical Association. Since the beginning of World War II, Dr. Miller has been examining physician for the Cumberland County Local Boards of the Selective Service System. He belongs to Drummond Lodge, No. 154, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Parsonsfield.

On September 5, 1933, at Westbrook, Dr. Miller married Ruth Copeland MacDonald of Truro, Nova Scotia, and the daughter of Mrs. Carolyn MacDonald. Dr. and Mrs. Miller are the parents of three children: 1. Thor Miller, Jr., born in January, 1935. 2. Stig Miller, born in September, 1939. 3. Erik Miller, born in August, 1940.

Dr. Miller has two main hobbies. One is flying, in which he uses a plane of his own. The other is music. He plays the cello.

#### **STEPHENS, Frank Owen**

For many years Frank Owen Stephens has been engaged in the meat packing business in Auburn. Since 1946 he has been president of his firm.

Mr. Stephens was born October 3, 1893, in Auburn, son of Walter George and Emma Rebecca (Donnell) Stephens. His father was a farmer and wholesale milk dealer. Attending local schools in Auburn, Frank Owen Stephens later received his Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of Maine, where he had his major work in journalism. From an early period in his career, he was fond of writing and literally "wrote his way through college." After graduation he was asked to take employment on the Boston "Globe," but the outbreak of World War I led him to join the army instead. In May, 1917, during World War I, Mr. Stephens attended the First Plattsburg Training Camp, then received his commission of second lieutenant, later being promoted to first lieutenant, then to the rank of captain. After a year in the United States he went to France and took part in five major engagements, including the St. Mihiel offensive and two battles in the Argonne Forest. His war work brought him four citations.

After the conclusion of hostilities, he served in Camp Devens, training the members of the National Guard organizations of New England states at different summer camps and performed recruiting services during the winter months. On December 10, 1921, he resigned while on leave of absence in Lewiston. It was on that date that he joined E. W. Penley in the meat packing industry. The Penley firm had been founded by Mr. Penley's father in 1865 on a farm in Auburn, and had come to be recognized as producers of "Blue Tag" pork products. The firm

has long been owned by the Penley family, of which Mrs. Stephens, who was formerly Beatrice Estella Penley, was a member. She was president of the company from 1935 until her death July 29, 1946, whereupon Mr. Stephens succeeded her as president. His son, Frank Owen Stephens, Jr., has recently joined the firm and is one of its directors.

In addition to his service as president of this meat packing organization, Frank Owen Stephens takes a lively interest in the affairs of his community. For twelve years, from 1929 to 1941, he served on the Auburn School Board. He was president of the Kiwanis Club in 1942. He helped to organize the Maine Horse Association, and was formerly its president. For two years he was president of the Young Men's Christian Association. He continues as Maine's director of the New England Council and is a member of the Publicity Bureau, and of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce. He is also a director of the Associated Industries of Maine. His firm is a member of the American Meat Institute.

In the Free and Accepted Masons, Mr. Stephens belongs to many bodies. He is a past potentate of Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, having held that office in 1941. He took a leading part in the Temple's fiftieth Anniversary celebration. Mr. Stephens is a member of the High Street Congregational Church. In spare time he enjoys horseback riding.

While visiting Auburn during a leave of absence from the army, Frank Stephens married, in September, 1921, Beatrice Estella Penley, daughter of Eugene W. and Elizabeth (Spofford) Penley. Mrs. Stephens, in addition to her extensive interest in the Penley family business, concerned herself with the work of the

Daughters of the American Revolution, serving for one year as Regent of the Mary Dillingham Chapter of this organization. For many years, until her death, she was widely known in this region of Maine for her work in herb culture. Frank Owen and Beatrice Estella (Penley) Stephens became the parents of two children: 1. Eugene Penley, a director of the meat packing firm, although not actively associated with it. 2. Frank Owen, Jr., associated with the company, and also one of its directors.

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#### **DAY, Herbert C.**

Operating the Days Bedding Company in Auburn, Herbert C. Day is one of this community's leading business men. This company is engaged in the manufacture of mattresses and the sale of furniture at both wholesale and retail.

Mr. Day was born November 25, 1915, in Bangor, Maine, son of Clarence L. Day. His father is engaged in the real estate and insulation business, and formerly was a mattress manufacturer.

Bangor schools furnished Herbert C. Day's early education, and subsequently he took a two-year course in business administration at Northwestern University. It was in 1938 that he became sole proprietor of Days Bedding Company, so becoming a representative of the third generation of his family to be engaged in the mattress manufacturing business. Five years later, World War service interrupted his business career. In 1943 he sold his furniture stock and stored the machinery of his manufacturing plant in order to leave for military service. Assigned to an army engineers' detachment, he was in the service of his country from 1943 to 1945, mostly in the Aleutian Islands.

In 1946 he returned to Auburn, took







*R. H. Miller*

his machinery out of storage and reopened the business of Days Bedding Company. He has been outstandingly successful in the conduct of this business, and has, at the same time, taken a lively interest in the affairs of Auburn. Sports have always interested him. During his high school years in Bangor, he served on the cross-country team and later he played baseball for Northeastern University. Baseball continues to be one of his favorite hobbies, and another is motion picture photography. He is a member of the Advent Christian Church.

Herbert C. Day married Gertrude Coté, December 31, 1935, in Lewiston, Maine. They became the parents of five children: Patricia Ann, Beverley Jean, Carmen Lee, Herbert Charles, Jr., and Ronald Irving Day.

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**MILLETT, Richard Melvin**

For many years a leading business man of Portland, Richard Melvin Millett has throughout that period been a member of the firm of Millett, Fish and Dresser, public accountants. He has contributed largely, through his conscientious efforts and abilities, to the conspicuous position which Millett, Fish and Dresser occupies among the accounting firms of Maine. Mr. Millett has always been a loyal supporter of significant civic movements, and has been active in fraternal affairs.

Born November 22, 1898, at South Paris, Maine, Richard Melvin Millett is a son of James M. and Hattie (Clifford) Millett, both of whom were natives of that state. He received his early education in the public schools of the community in which he was born, and later attended South Paris High School, graduating from there with the class of 1914. He graduated from Boston University in 1922. Previously, on his graduation

from high school, Mr. Millett had entered the employ of the South Paris Trust Company, where he remained for about three years, before he resigned to enroll at Boston University. Following his studies at that institution of higher learning, he entered the treasurer's office of the university, and there remained for a year, after which he resigned to become a member of the firm of Millett and Dresser, of Portland, Maine. The name of this organization has since been changed to Millett, Fish and Dresser, and with this concern Mr. Millett has since remained. In November, 1921, Mr. Millett passed the certified public accountants' examination in Maine, this being the test required by the American Institute of Accountants. The present address of Millett, Fish and Dresser is 465 Congress Street, Portland.

Mr. Millett is a member of the Maine Board of Accountancy, and is also identified with the Maine State Society of Certified Public Accountants, the American Institute of Accountants, the National Association of Cost Accountants. He has been active in club and social life, and is affiliated with the Alpha Kappa Psi college fraternity (Boston University), Paris Lodge No. 94 of the Free and Accepted Masons; Greenleaf Chapter No. 12 of the Royal Arch Masons; the Council, Royal and Select Masters; St. Albans Commandery No. 8, Knights Templar; and Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs also to the Maine Consistory, Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, Thirty-second degree. Locally, he holds membership in the Portland Shrine Club, the Cumberland Club, and Woodfords Congregational Church.

Richard Melvin Millett married, June 12, 1922, at South Paris, Maine, Marion



Amo Clark, a daughter of Arthur E. and Francilla (Gerry) Clark. Mrs. Millett died in 1936. Mr. and Mrs. Millett became the parents of a son and a daughter:

1. Robert Hall, born October 29, 1923.
2. Dorothea, born July 18, 1925.

The family residence is at 29 Richards Street, South Portland.

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**CUMMINGS, Arthur Sylvester**

Among the business men of Lewiston whose acumen, energy and enterprise, have contributed to the prosperity of the city, Arthur Sylvester Cummings is prominent and popular. He enjoys a reputation for a co-operative spirit and readiness to promote worthy projects, and is frequently drafted for office by varied organizations.

Born at Greenwood, Maine, on April 1, 1891, Arthur Sylvester Cummings is the son of Samuel W. and Birdie R. (Cole) Cummings, and was reared on his father's farm. After being graduated from high school and Gould Academy, he completed his preparation for a career by attending Gray's Business College, in Portland. He was the manager of a shoe factory for several years prior to 1925, when for eight months he engaged in a real estate business in Portland. Then from December, 1925, to March, 1928, Mr. Cummings was auditor for the Maine-New Hampshire Theatre Company. For the remainder of that year until October, 1932, he was a public accountant. In 1932 he established Cummings, Inc., cleaners, of which he has since been president and treasurer. This enterprise he has developed on a broad scale until its coverage is a large section of Southern Maine. He keeps in touch with the latest improvements in his field of operations by memberships in such organizations as the National Institute of Cleaners and Dyers.

Mr. Cummings is an incorporator of the Central Maine Hospital; served on the Committee for the Rewriting of the City Charter; and during World War I, was cost accountant with the Remington Arms Metallic Cartridge Company, at Bridgeport, Connecticut. In local circles, Mr. Cummings is a former president of the Lewiston-Auburn Rotary Club; and in the State is past vice president of the Maine Chamber of Commerce; serves on the board of directors of the Maine State Merchants Association. A host of folk know him as national secretary of the American War Dads, and as the first president of the Lewiston-Auburn No. 1 Chapter of the American War Dads. He contributes generously to religious and humanitarian groups, as a supporting member of the Lewiston Young Men's Christian Association, and a trustee of the United Baptist Church of the city.

At Mechanic Falls, January 18, 1913, Arthur Sylvester Cummings married Mildred L. Frost, who was born in Maine on March 13, 1889, and died in 1940. Mr. and Mrs. Cummings were the parents of a son: Arthur Samuel, who was born July 19, 1914. During World War II, he served in the United States Navy Air Corps, with the rank of a full lieutenant, and a flight instructor. Since his return to civilian life he has been associated with his father in Cummings, Inc.

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**FAULKNER, Vernon L.**

A native of Taunton, Massachusetts, born March 25, 1899, Vernon L. Faulkner rounded out his preparation for a career as a graduate of the Bradford Durfee Textile School, at Fall River, Massachusetts, class of 1918. In that same year he was with the Richard Borden Manufacturing Company as superintendent's clerk. Three years later he was named assistant







Walter R. Gumprecht, M.D.

superintendent, and in 1924 became superintendent with this same company, and was made treasurer in 1930. Since 1940, Mr. Faulkner has been treasurer and agent of the Continental Mills, Lewiston. For recreation he enjoys fishing and hunting. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons.

Vernon L. Faulkner is married to the former Beatrice Gilbert.

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#### **NORWOOD, William**

Active for a number of years in the textile industry, William Norwood has been connected with the Continental Mills in Lewiston since 1941. In his present capacity as general superintendent of this company, he has performed a highly important work and gained extensive recognition.

Mr. Norwood was born July 11, 1904, in New Bedford, Massachusetts, son of William and Mary Norwood. His father was also engaged in the textile industry. After completing his preliminary education, William Norwood decided to follow in his father's footsteps, and accordingly entered the New Bedford Textile School. Upon completing his preparation for industry, he was associated with a manufacturing company in New Bedford. After remaining there for eight years as overseer, he then removed to Jewett City, Connecticut, where he was overseer of the Ashland Mills. He then returned to New Bedford to take up a similar position with the Whitman Mills. He was next associated with the Pacific Mills, in Lawrence, Massachusetts, also as overseer. After ten years with that organization, continuing until 1940, Mr. Norwood came to Lewiston in 1941, as overseer of Continental Mills. A year later he was made assistant superintendent, and before 1942 was ended, he was promoted to the rank

of superintendent. In 1945 he took over his present duties as general superintendent of the Continental Mills.

In addition to his business undertakings, Mr. Norwood is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and since 1920, has been associated with the Order of Scottish Clans. He enjoys outdoor life, being particularly fond of golf.

William Norwood married, in Taunton, Massachusetts, Bertha Carr. They became the parents of a daughter, Lorraine, who was graduated from the New Bedford Textile School, and is now employed in the laboratory of the Bates Manufacturing Company.

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#### **GUMPRECHT, Walter Robert, M.D.**

Specializing in ailments and treatment of the chest, Dr. Walter Robert Gumprecht has made a substantial contribution to medical practice in Bangor. He is one of the outstanding physicians in Maine in his specialty, and his services to local institutions and to the public have brought him wide recognition.

Dr. Gumprecht was born March 9, 1902, in Meriden, Connecticut, son of Richard and Martha Gumprecht, of New Britain, Connecticut. His family is an old one, his ancestors having come to this country from Holland and Germany. Public schools of his native Connecticut community provided Walter Robert Gumprecht's early formal education, and he was graduated from high school in New Britain in 1920. For his premedical and medical studies he enrolled at Tufts College, where he was graduated in 1923, then at Tufts Medical School, where he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1927. Serving an internship at Eastern Maine General Hospital from September 30, 1927, until July 1, 1929, Dr. Gumprecht



opened his own office at No. 116 State Street, Bangor, in July, 1929, where he carries on his professional work down to the time of writing.

In addition to his office practice, he performs extensive hospital work. He is house physician at the Home for Aged Women and the Home for Aged Men, in Bangor; visiting physician at Eastern Maine General Hospital and Bangor State Hospital; consultant in chest diseases at the University of Maine and Bangor State Hospital; and a director and executive board member of the Maine Public Health Association. From 1928 to 1933 he was assistant medical director of Bangor Sanatorium, and medical director from 1933 to date. From 1930 to 1933 he was also city physician of Bangor. He has rendered valuable professional services to the Maine National Guard, in which he was made first lieutenant of the Medical Detachment in 1929, Captain in 1932 and Major in 1941.

Dr. Gumprecht's affiliations include memberships in the Penobscot County Medical Society, the Trudeau Society, and the American Medical Association. He is a fellow in the American College of Chest Physicians. Also active in community affairs, Dr. Gumprecht is a Republican in politics. Between February and August, 1941, he performed federal service with the Maine National Guard during World War II. Fraternally Dr. Gumprecht is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in which he holds memberships in the Bangor lodge, the Royal Arch chapter, the commandery of Knights Templar, and the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a deacon and trustee of All Soul's Church.

Dr. Walter Robert Gumprecht married, September 11, 1926, in New Britain, Con-

necticut, Edith M. Larson, of that place. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Marjorie Christine, born June 15, 1927, graduated from Bangor High School in 1945. 2. Richard Alan, born March 18, 1929, graduated from Bangor High School in 1947, then entered the University of Maine. 3. June Edith, born June 10, 1930, attended Bangor High School, then became a student at the University of Maine. 4. James Luther, born March 31, 1935, a student.

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#### **ROCK, Theodore J.**

Associated for a number of years with the children's shoe manufacturing house of Wood, Smith and Company, Theodore J. Rock has distinguished himself as one of the leading business men of Auburn.

Mr. Rock was born in 1902, in Lowell, Massachusetts, son of Joseph and Cora (Cram) Rock. His father was engaged in the chain store business.

Theodore J. Rock received his early formal education in schools in Lowell, his birthplace, and after graduation from high school there he joined the L. H. Spaulding Shoe Company, in Lowell. His work there was as sales representative, and he so continued until he took a similar position with Wood and Smith, Inc. In 1929, he took over the company as full proprietor, the firm changing its name to become Wood, Smith and Company.

Occupying an outstanding position in the manufacture of children's shoes, this company has grown and prospered with the years. It holds membership in the New England Shoe Manufacturers Association. Mr. Rock himself takes a lively interest in the general affairs of the shoe industry, as well as in the civic and social life of Auburn and this region of Maine. He is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Benevolent and Protective

Order of Elks, and the Congregational Church. In spare time he enjoys outdoor life, notably fishing and other sports.

Theodore J. Rock married, on October 14, 1946, in Chicago, Illinois, Mabel Borgeson.

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**WAKEFIELD, Frank B.**

As manager of the Dickey Belting Company of Lewiston, Frank B. Wakefield performs a highly valuable service to New England industry. This company operates one of the few factories of its kind in this region of New England, producing leather belting, textile strapping and related items to serve a wide range of industrial purposes.

Mr. Wakefield was born March 27, 1885, in Auburn, son of Idell F. and Elizabeth Wakefield. He attended Auburn schools, completing his secondary schooling at the Edward Little High School in that community. He came to the Dickey Belting Company as a salesman in 1917, becoming manager in 1932. In the intervening years, he acquired a complete knowledge of this industry and its problems and methods. The company is headed by Arthur H. Williams, as president, and Mr. Wakefield, in addition to being manager, is a stockholder in the organization.

The Dickey Belting Company started operations in 1854, having been founded in that year by H. H. Dickey. The advancing decades have naturally brought many changes to the belting industry, passing on the requirements of its customers and the general changes in industrial life in these times. But the same basic policies have been maintained from the beginning, while adaptation have been introduced from time to time to meet special needs. The personal element has strongly entered into the relations of the

Dickey Belting Company with other industries, and even in more recent periods of mechanization has been continued as a policy, which has been made possible by the fact that operations have been confined mainly to northern New England. Many organizations might well envy the company's intimate knowledge of specific manufacturing requirements in this territory for power transmission and numerous other uses. Extensive experience has given the Dickey organization an exact knowledge of what kind of belting will provide the lowest cost service for each particular kind of work. The Dickey company is thoroughly equipped with modern machinery, and broad experience and skill of belt specialists assure excellent service. In connection with the company's manufacturing operations, there is a special belt repair and rebuilding service, which frequently has been able to reclaim belting which manufacturers have consigned to the junk pile, when all it requires is a thorough cleaning, degreasing and dressing of the belt. Also belts can often be stripped into narrower widths for other plant drives. Different weights of belting include light, medium, heavy and extra-heavy, and there are in addition, special types of belting for use where exposure to rain, snow, and other adverse conditions are factors to be reckoned with. The company also produces belt dressing, cement and related products.

Mr. Wakefield, as plant manager, has introduced numerous new ideas which have proven highly valuable to the company. During World War II, the Dickey Belting Company produced belts and textile straps for the mills on government work to which ninety-seven per cent of its output went. In addition to his work in this connection, Mr. Wakefield has



concerned himself with civic and social affairs in Lewiston and this region of Maine. He is a leading Republican in this city and active in party affairs. He belongs to the Free and Accepted Masons, in which he has many affiliations, and is an initiate in Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Baptist Church.

On October 15, 1905, in Auburn, Maine, Frank B. Wakefield married Agnes Parsons. They became the parents of two children: 1. Everett, who is associated in the Dickey Belting Company with his father, serving as shop superintendent. 2. Grace E. Wakefield.

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#### **EASTMAN, Roger**

One of the prominent business men of Southwestern Maine, Roger Eastman is manager for the Milliken Tomlinson Co. wholesale grocery firm at Lewiston. Once a commercial traveler, he is well known in the organization of this vocation and is active as a Kiwanian and Mason. Also, he takes an interest in education and in the work of the Congregational Church.

Mr. Eastman was born at East Sumner on January 22, 1897, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wellington H. Eastman, and member of a family which traces its ancestry back to the Mayflower. His father was in the insurance business and was a notary public at East Sumner. Graduated from the Buckfield High School at Buckfield, in 1913, Roger Eastman worked in a retail store in East Sumner until a few months after the United States entered World War I. In 1918 he joined the United States Army and for the next eighteen months was in the service. At the time of his discharge he was holding the rank of corporal. When he resumed

his civilian status, he returned to East Sumner and to retailing.

In 1922 Mr. Eastman went to Portland, where he became associated with Conant, Patrick and Company, wholesale grocers. When this business was closed down in 1925, Mr. Eastman became a commercial traveler for Milliken Tomlinson Co. of Portland. In 1929 this concern purchased the F. G. Davis Company of Lewiston and Mr. Eastman was appointed a traveling representative of the new branch. In 1933 he was promoted to manager of the branch, the position he holds today. His office is at 13 Lincoln Street, Lewiston.

Mr. Eastman is a past counselor of the United Commercial Travelers of America and is second vice president of the Kiwanis Club of Auburn-Lewiston. He served on the board of education at Sumner and since 1939 has been a member of the business committee of the High Street Congregational Church of Auburn. He is also active in the Masonic order. Baseball, which he played in his school days, remains his favorite sport.

Mr. Eastman married Gertrude Schonland in Portland in 1921. They have two children: 1. Rachel Eastman, who was graduated from Bates College in 1949. 2. Roger Eastman, Jr., a student at the University of Maine.

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#### **TARBELL, Eaton Wetherbee**

Widely known for his contribution to architecture in Bangor and this region of Maine, Eaton Wetherbee Tarbell has operated his own company since 1944. Eaton W. Tarbell and Associates have offices at 84 Harlow Street, where they employ twelve highly skilled workers. Some of the leading buildings in this vicinity have been constructed from their plans.

Mr. Tarbell was born June 14, 1914, in





*For W. C. C. C.*



Merrill, Maine, son of Perley Hudson and Caroline (Wetherbee) Tarbell. His family is an old one of English and Scottish origin. The father operates potato farms in Aroostook County, this state.

Bangor schools provided Eaton Wetherbee Tarbell's early formal education through the high school grades, and after attending Deerfield Academy he entered Bowdoin College, where he was graduated in 1937 as a Bachelor of Science. He then became a student of architecture at Harvard University, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Architecture in 1941. In September of that year he became associated with the firm of Stone and Webster, in Boston, continuing with them until July, 1942. Then, until March, 1944, a little less than two years, he was with T. W. Cunningham, Inc., a contracting and engineering firm, in Bangor. His next step was to establish his own firm, Eaton W. Tarbell and Associates, with offices at 84 Harlow Street, Bangor. This firm has received honorable mention for its showing in the Maine State Office Building competition, and has gained a position of distinction in the profession for its work in connection with designing some of the outstanding structures in this state. It is particularly known for designing the Dryden Terrace Apartments, in Orono, a project of the Prudential Insurance Company, and the factory of the Searsport Fertilizer Company, in Searsport. It has also designed Rockland High School, now under construction in Rockland. Other outstanding work includes the guest house of the Eastern Corporation, in Brewer. Plans for this house won an award of one of the twenty-two prizes offered for buildings of 1946 throughout the United States, and an exhibition of an architectural model of the design was given in different cities of

the United States, as well as in London, England.

In addition to his service as head of Eaton W. Tarbell and Associates, Mr. Tarbell is a director of the Graham Realty Company, situated at 16 Post Office Square, Bangor, and of the J. E. Tarbell Association, owners of large potato farms in Aroostook County, which they operate on a lease basis. Mr. Tarbell also takes a lively interest in civic and political affairs. He is a staunch Republican. He belongs also to the City Club of Bangor, the Penobscot Valley Country Club and the Tarratine Club, is a director of the Bangor Chamber of Commerce and vice president of the Maine State Junior Chamber of Commerce. In the American Institute of Architects he is secretary and treasurer of the Maine chapter. He belongs also to the Newcomen Society of North America, the Beta Theta Pi fraternity and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He is a member, too, of the Congregational Church.

In Bangor, September 3, 1940, Eaton Wetherbee Tarbell married Pauline A. Graham, daughter of Edward M. and Clara Graham. Her father is president of the Bangor Hydroelectric Company. Mr. and Mrs. Tarbell became the parents of two children: 1. Eaton Wetherbee, Jr., born January 5, 1942. 2. Beverly, born March 24, 1944.

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#### **MITCHELL, Radcliffe G.**

An important and influential citizen of Auburn, Radcliffe G. Mitchell is that community's former city manager. By profession a public accountant, he is treasurer of Twaddle-Mitchell, Inc., an oil heating and air conditioning sales and service concern in which he is associated with Gard W. Twaddle, and is a corporator of two of Auburn's savings banks. He has



long been associated with all progressive activities in the community, in health and welfare work and organizational affairs.

Mr. Mitchell was born in Lewiston in 1903, the son of Joseph M. and Maude G. Mitchell. He was educated at the Lewiston High School and the Bentley School of Accounting in Boston. For a time after completing his education, Mr. Mitchell was employed by the General Electric Company at Schenectady, New York. When he resigned this position, he returned to Lewiston as accountant for the William P. Gray Amusement Company. After Mr. Gray's death, Mr. Mitchell opened an office of his own as a public accountant. He has continued operation of this office since that time. For three years Mr. Mitchell was the treasurer of the Eastern Fire Protection Company of Lewiston and in the World War II period served Auburn as its city manager, holding that office for two and one-half years. In the same war period, he was active in Civilian Defense, in the work of the American Red Cross, in War Bond drives and related home-front programs. In association with Mr. Twaddle, he organized Twaddle-Mitchell, Inc., and is now treasurer of that concern. Mr. Twaddle, whose life story is told on other pages of this history of Modern Maine, is president of the business. The other business interests of Mr. Mitchell are the Auburn Savings Bank and the Mechanics Savings Bank, of both of which he is a corporator.

He is recording secretary and a member of the board of directors of the Auburn Young Men's Christian Association, a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau, the Commercial Travelers Club of Auburn, the Kiwanis Club of Auburn, the National Association of Cost Accountants, the Auburn Chamber of Commerce, the Auburn Lodge, Benevolent and Pro-

tective Order of Elks, various Masonic bodies, including the Blue Lodge in Auburn, Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Lewiston, and the Lewiston-Auburn Shrine Club, of which he is a director. He worships in the Congregational Church.

Mr. Mitchell married Shirley Haskell in New York City in 1931. Mrs. Mitchell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haskell. Her father is president of the Haskell and Hopkins Store. There are two children: Radcliffe G. Mitchell, Jr., and Dawn Ellen Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell's office address is 40 North Main Street, Auburn. His hobby is horses and horseback riding.

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#### **FRADKIN, Samuel A.**

In 1928, when he was twenty-two years old, Samuel A. Fradkin went to work for Clark Shoe Company in Lynn, Massachusetts, as a salesman. Today he is president of the concern, of which he is also sales manager. In the years he was rising in the firm and in the time since he assumed its highest office he has become a well-known figure in the shoe manufacturing field. His concern specializes in women's fashion shoes, designed to retail up to \$10.95.

Born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on March 24, 1906, Mr. Fradkin is the son of Julius and Rebecca Fradkin. His father operates a chain of food markets in Cambridge.

The shoe manufacturer was graduated from the Cambridge High School and then spent a year in the Boston University School of Business Administration. From this he transferred to the university's School of Law and in 1927 was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Shortly afterward, he passed the Massachusetts State Bar examinations, and he

is still a member, in good standing, of that state's bar. For a time Mr. Fradkin was active in legal work in Boston and Cambridge.

Then, in October, 1928, he began his association with Clark Shoe Company in Auburn. From salesman he rose to sales manager and in January, 1945, was elected president. A successful concern for years, the Clark Shoe Company has taken a tremendous spurt in prestige and volume since Mr. Fradkin's advent as an executive. He is a member of the New England Shoe and Leather Association, the Massachusetts Bar Association, the Martindale Country Club, the B'nai B'rith and various Masonic bodies, including the Blue Lodge in Auburn and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Lewiston. His office is in his company's plant on Troy Street, Auburn.

In November, 1931, at Kansas City, Missouri, Mr. Fradkin married Alice Rabinowitz and they have one daughter, Eleanor. Mr. Fradkin and his family worship at Beth Jacob Synagogue, Lewiston. His hobby is—making shoes.

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#### **GRIFFIN, Patrick F.**

In the years that Patrick F. Griffin has engaged in business in Lewiston he has built a relatively small enterprise into an important commercial concern. As the proprietor of the Bates Street Cigar and Confectionery Company he has carried on an extensive wholesale and retail trade in the products mentioned, down through periods of national depression and booms, never losing faith in his business nor in Lewiston.

Born in Boston, Massachusetts, in 1880, Patrick F. Griffin is the son of John and Mary Griffin, his father being an employee of the City of Boston. After com-

pleting his education in his birthplace schools, he was variously engaged, including working for the P. Lorillard Tobacco Company. Feeling that he had gained sufficient experience, in 1916 he left Massachusetts, to try his luck in Maine. Purchasing the business of Edward W. Conway and William F. Carriگان at 28 Ash Street, known as The Smokeshop, he continued the retail business and the manufacture of cigars, the "Bates Street" and "Filly." Perfection of machine manufacture of cigars forced him out of the manufacturing business, and he began development of the wholesale tobacco and confectionery business. Many lines have since been added and some abandoned, as changes and opportunity indicated, and the scope of deliveries expanded until they include most of southwest Maine and some of neighboring New Hampshire. At almost the depth of the depression of the 1930s, Mr. Griffin had the courage in 1932, to build a new, bigger, and better warehouse, that proved of excellent service when better times followed. When asked why he decided to increase his facilities at that time, Mr. Griffin replied: "There has been quite a bit of comment regarding my construction of a new warehouse under present conditions. The reason is simply that I like the business." He has faith in the future of the business, also: "I am of the opinion that business will get better as soon as the manufacturer at least tries to eliminate the wagon peddler, whose only stock in trade is 'lower prices,' and gives to the desirable jobber an opportunity to make a profit on his merchandise." Probably one of the reasons for his success have been the principles: "One price, one discount, integrity and service." Mr. Griffin co-operates heartily with movements and organizations that work for



the best interests of Lewiston, and is a member of the Rotary Club. Along the lines of his business, he has joined the National Association of Tobacco Distributors, and the National Association of Wholesale Confectionery Distributors. Fraternally, Mr. Griffin is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He worships at St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

In 1903, at Boston, Massachusetts, Patrick F. Griffin married Mildred Steinhart, and they are the parents of two children: 1. Lewis, who is associated with his father in the Bates Street Cigar and Confectionery Company. 2. Mrs. Lillian Davis.

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#### **SAVAGE, Rev. James F.**

The name of Father James F. Savage is known throughout Roman Catholic circles and in the secular life of Maine. Formerly with various churches in different parts of the State, he is now pastor of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in Lewiston.

Father Savage was born at Bruree, County Limerick, Ireland, April 21, 1885, and was educated at Boston College and Villanova. He was ordained a priest of the Roman Catholic Church in Dublin, Ireland. Following his ordination, he returned to the United States in 1914 and in November of that year became curate of St. Dominic's Church in Portland. His next church was St. Mary's in Biddeford, where he was also curate. In July, 1919, he was appointed pastor of St. Mary's Church, Lincoln, and in January, 1926, he was transferred to the Church of St. Francis of Assisi at Belfast. Fourteen years later, in February, 1940, Father Savage was sent to St. Bernard's Parish in Rockland and in September, 1948, he became pastor of his present church, St.

Joseph's, in Lewiston. In November, 1948, he was appointed a Diocesan Consultor for the Diocese of Portland. His colleagues in this important group of the Church are Monsignor Desjardins, Monsignor Laflamme, Monsignor DeCary, the Reverend Timothy Y. O'Mahony and the Reverend Edward F. Ward.

Father Savage resides at 253 Main Street, Lewiston.

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#### **MOURKAS, Thomas D.**

Thomas D. Mourkas, a native of Greece, has found his adopted country full of opportunities for advancement. His connections with Bangor's commercial life are many, for Mr. Mourkas is proprietor of the New Atlantic Restaurant, owner of the Bar Harbor Bowling Academy, and president and treasurer of the Atlantic Laundry. He also established the Sunset Hotel, restaurant, cafe and lounge, and has been engaged in several other enterprises.

Mr. Mourkas, who arrived in the United States from Porti, Greece, on October 12, 1912, at the age of thirteen, is a son of Demetrios and Agorou Mourkas, his father having died in 1930. On his arrival in this country, Thomas D. Mourkas was accompanied by his brother, Christopher, who, however, later returned to Greece. Mr. Mourkas then went to live with an uncle, William Gregory. He had received public schooling in his native country, and after arriving here learned English by the method of translating American newspapers with the aid of a dictionary—a very practical method, since the words used in common parlance most often occur and are most quickly learned. In 1927 Mr. Mourkas became a naturalized American citizen.

His first association with the restaurant business came as an employee





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of various establishments in Waltham, Brookline, and Boston, Massachusetts. He came to Bangor in 1923 as manager of the Universal Lunch, situated on State Street. A self-made man, having come up the hard way, Mr. Mourkas has since that time taken many business risks and been engaged in many ventures. One of the early enterprises, which turned out unfortunately, was the Belmont Hotel at Bar Harbor. This hostelry Mr. Mourkas acquired in partnership with R. C. Masterman, one of Maine's outstanding attorneys and a resident of Bar Harbor. This excellent hotel of one hundred and twenty rooms, located at Bar Harbor, was destroyed in the great fire which swept that community in October of 1937.

In 1929 Mr. Mourkas established the New Atlantic Restaurant at 66 Main Street in Bangor, which he continues to operate with continuing success to the present time. Employing fifty persons, this has become one of Maine's outstanding cafes, and feeds approximately ten thousand persons weekly. Its growth and public acceptance is evidence of skilled management. Although Mr. Mourkas has since become interested in other enterprises, the New Atlantic Restaurant has remained his central interest, and it is at 66 Main Street that he makes his business address. The Bar Harbor Bowling Academy became Mr. Mourkas' next commercial interest. He established this recreation center in 1942, operating same until October, 1947, at which time he sold it.

In 1945 Thomas D. Mourkas became interested in another type of business enterprise, for in that year he founded the Atlantic Laundry, Inc., at 8 Carr Street in Bangor. A modern establishment, offering the most skilled and careful service, the laundry gives regular employment to

thirty persons. Mr. Mourkas is its president and treasurer. Mr. Mourkas' varied ventures have brought him a well-deserved success; and his steady advance from restaurant worker to owner of some of the most valuable business properties in the Bangor area has earned him the respect of business colleagues.

Mr. Mourkas is a member of the National Restaurant Association, the American Hotel Association, and the Maine Restaurant Association, of which he is now first vice president. He is a member of Ahepa fraternity; and is a Mason, holding the Thirty-second degree, and being a member of Anah Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His local clubs are the Tarratine and the Decca Business Club. He is a member of the Greek Orthodox Church, serving that congregation as president.

At Lynn, Massachusetts, November 29, 1928, Thomas D. Mourkas married Assimina Georgiou, of that city, daughter of John and Catina Georgiou. They are the parents of two children: 1. Calliope, born October 20, 1929. 2. Thomas D., Jr., born September 13, 1937. The family make their home at 27 Poplar Street in Bangor.

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#### **DONOVAN, Rev. Father Samuel M.**

Rev. Father Samuel M. Donovan, rector of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church of Portland, was born in Quincy, Massachusetts, August 27, 1881. Father Donovan is the son of Dr. Samuel M. and Mercedes (Welch) Donovan, the former a native of Boston, who died in 1894, the latter a native of Philadelphia, who died in 1895. Father Donovan's father, who was a graduate of the Harvard University Medical School, practiced medicine in Quincy.

Father Donovan attended Thayer Academy at South Braintree and Adams Acad-



emy at Quincy, Massachusetts. He then became a student at St. Bonaventure's College in Allegany, New York, and graduated from this institution, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He studied for the priesthood in Rome, and was ordained there in 1904.

Returning to the United States, he taught Latin and philosophy at his alma mater, St. Bonaventure's College, from the fall of 1904 to 1918. He then entered the United States Army for service in World War I, and served as chaplain-lieutenant in the Tank Corps of the United States Army. Father Donovan is a member of the Randall MacVane Post of the American Legion, at Peak's Island.

He came to Portland in 1920 and served as principal of the Cheverus Classical High School from 1920 to 1932. From 1932 to 1942 he was pastor of St. Christopher's Roman Catholic Church at Peak's Island. In 1942 he became pastor of St. Patrick's Church in Portland, and has served in that capacity ever since.

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#### **HAYES, Richard and Norman**

One of the older business firms of Lewiston is J. L. Hayes and Company, on Main Street, a feed and mason's supplies concern that was founded many years ago by Grandfather Sylvanus Hayes. His son, Lincoln Loring Hayes, succeeded the older man and was its head until his passing on May 4, 1948. He was one of the highest esteemed citizens of Lewiston, identified constructively with numerous phases of its life and affairs. Lincoln Loring Hayes married Alice Kimball, and they were the parents of three sons: Harold, born in 1908; Richard, born in 1915; and Norman, born in 1917, at Lewiston.

Harold went to Hebron Academy, while Richard and Norman attended local grade and high schools, Richard being graduated in 1933, and Norman two years later. Richard Hayes went to the University of Maine, where he received his degree with the class of 1936. Norman Hayes entered Bowdoin College, where he was graduated in 1940. Together also in the service of their country, the two brothers enlisted in the United States Army Air Forces. Norman was with the Eighth Air Force in the European theater until his discharge from the Army in 1945. Richard was mustered out of the service in 1946.

As regards business activities, Richard Hayes was employed by the W. H. Henman Construction Company for two years prior to becoming associated with his father in trade. Norman Hayes joined the company after discharge from the Air Force. As indicated, J. L. Hayes and Company started primarily as a feed firm in the past century, and expanded its activities to dealing in many kinds of feeds and grains, and the furnishing of a wide variety of mason's supplies. In the main it serves Lewiston and Auburn, and a broad surrounding territory.

Both Richard and Norman Hayes are keenly interested in the Maine Publicity Bureau. Richard Hayes is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. They are both members of the Federated Church, in Lewiston.

On September 1, 1942, at Sebring, Florida, Richard Hayes married Priscilla Carolyn Warren.

On December 29, 1941, at Greenville, Mississippi, Norman Hayes married Katherine Sickels, and they are the parents of two sons: Lincoln Loring, 2nd, and Robert Porter.





*Frank H. Fenderson*





*E. W. Ferguson*



**FENDERSON, Frank Howard**

Extensively engaged in insurance work in Calais, Frank Howard Fenderson is owner of the Fenderson Agency, with which he has been associated since 1938. He is a man of many activities and interests. Aviation has been his major spare-time concern, and he is a licensed pilot, owning and operating his own plane.

A native of Calais, Mr. Fenderson was born December 4, 1921, son of Charles Willard and Anna Rebecca (McElroy) Fenderson. His father, who died August 8, 1948, was for years engaged in the insurance business. He attended the University of Maine and graduated from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, and was a registered pharmacist. He was a sergeant in France during World War I, serving with the Army Medical Corps.

Frank Howard Fenderson attended Calais Academy, where he was graduated in 1938. He then became associated with Joseph H. Lee and Son, Inc., a general insurance agency established in the mid-nineteenth century and purchased by his father on May 1, 1921. When the elder Mr. Fenderson took over the business, the name of "Fenderson Agency" was adopted, and the firm became engaged in a complete line of general insurance, real estate and investment banking. Some of the companies represented by this agency are the Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company, the Phoenix Insurance Company, the Westchester Fire Insurance Company, the Maine Bonding and Casualty Company and the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company. It also represents F. L. Putnam and Company, Inc., of Boston, and, as an investment banking house, holds membership in the Boston Stock Exchange. Mr. Fenderson, who has been connected with the firm

since May, 1938, has been owner of it since his father's death.

His interest in aviation is of long standing. During World War II he served in the Army Air Force in Alaska, enlisting in the Air Transport Service in May, 1942, and continuing until honorably discharged on November 16, 1945, with the rank of technical sergeant. He is a Republican in his political views. He is assistant secretary of the Rotary Club and a member of the Calais Chamber of Commerce, the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, the St. Croix Club, the Maine Association of Insurance Agents and the National Association of Insurance Agents. Mr. Fenderson is affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons and is finance officer of the American Legion. He belongs to the Congregational Church.

Frank Howard Fenderson married, February 9, 1944, in St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada, Ruby Elizabeth Grieve, of Harvey, New Brunswick, daughter of Fred and Sadie Grieve. Mrs. Fenderson is a graduate, magna cum laude, of Mount Allison College. Formerly she taught at St. Stephen High School and the Ontario Ladies College. The Fendersons are the parents of two sons: 1. David Marshall, born November 16, 1945. 2. Robert Thomas, born August 15, 1947.

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**KONECKI, John Thomas, M.D.**

Dr. John Thomas Konecki is one of the younger professional men of Portland, and has established practice in that city after service in the armed forces during World War II. In taking offices at 821 Washington Street in Portland, Dr. Konecki returned to his native city. His practice is a general one, and he is well



connected with a number of professional organizations.

Son of Zigmont Joachim and Katherine (Jacobiec) Konecki, Dr. Konecki was born in South Portland, February 17, 1916. His father was a tailor, who likewise rendered creditable military service to his country, having served in the 155th Company, Coast Artillery Corps, during World War I. John T. Konecki received his preliminary education in South Portland schools, graduating from the high school in 1934. He entered Bowdoin College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1939, and he pursued his medical courses at Boston University Medical School, from which he graduated in 1942 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. During his undergraduate years at Bowdoin, Dr. Konecki was notable for his participation in athletic events, and was a tackle on the football team.

On completion of his medical courses, his country then being launched in World War II, Dr. Konecki served first with the 5th Auxiliary Surgical Group, which saw service in Normandy, and was later assigned to the 110th General Hospital Group. Thereafter he was harbor defense surgeon at Portland Harbor. In addition to this wartime service, Dr. Konecki has to his credit a total of thirteen years with the Maine National Guard. At present he holds the rank of major in the Medical Corps Reserve, and is combat team surgeon of the 103rd Infantry of the Maine National Guard.

Dr. Konecki's internship was passed at the Boston City Hospital and at the Maine General Hospital. Since the termination of his wartime military service, he has engaged in private practice in Portland. He is on the staff of the Maine General Hospital and of Mercy Hospital.

Professionally, Dr. Konecki is a member of the Maine Medical Association, the Chamberlain County Medical Association, and the Portland Medical Club, and his fraternities are Zeta Psi, the Lambda Chapter of which he joined at Bowdoin College, and Alpha Kappa Kappa, medical fraternity, of which he became a member while a student at Boston University Medical School.

He is a member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Hiram Lodge, and of the Portland Yacht Club and the Har-raseeket Yacht Club. Long interested in the affairs of the Maine National Guard, Dr. Konecki is also a member of the National Guard Association.

At Lynn, Massachusetts, February 17, 1942, Dr. John Thomas Konecki married Ruth Marie Nihan, daughter of George and Katherine Nihan. Dr. and Mrs. Konecki have two children, both born in Lynn, Massachusetts: 1. Katherine Ann, born January 28, 1944. 2. Ruth Marie, born April 16, 1946. The family resides at 821 Washington Street, Portland.

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#### **BENNETT, Stanley T.**

President and manager of the Oakhurst Dairy at 364 Forest Avenue, Portland, one of the city's foremost dairies, Stanley T. Bennett was born on Chebeague Island, where his father and grandfather were fishermen and farmers.

Mr. Bennett moved to Portland in 1911. His wife's father, grandfather, uncle and cousins had delivered milk for three generations from Falmouth. In 1921 when the modern dairy business was beginning to evolve from the old-style milk delivery business, Mr. Bennett bought the A. C. Leadbetter dairy on Woodfords Street in Portland. From that beginning has grown the Oakhurst Dairy on Forest Avenue, of which Mr. Bennett is the

president and manager. Through the years he has kept pace with developments in the field, and the Oakhurst Dairy has an enviable reputation for cleanliness and sanitation.

Mr. Bennett has never lived far from Portland. Twenty-five years ago he built a home on a half-acre plot at 33 Fairmount Street, Woodfords, and here the Bennetts still live. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bennett are ardent gardeners and farmers, and their half-acre plot, which is now in a built-up section of the city, is famous for the huge quantities of fruit, vegetables and flowers which it produces. In its issue of September 26, 1948 the "Portland Sunday Telegram and Sunday Press Herald" published on its Farm Page a feature story on the Bennetts and their farm-garden under the heading "Portlanders 'Farm' Houselot on Half of a \$5000 Acre: Health and Fun from Past-time of S. T. Bennetts."

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#### **ALLEN, Frank Colman**

In Portland and a wide surrounding area, the name Cressey and Allen stands for the best in the field of music. With this pioneer firm, now more than sixty years old, Frank Colman Allen was associated for fifty-six years, and its president over a long period. The house and its head have served clients of several generations, and remains the place where they can obtain "Everything in Music." For a personal interest, Mr. Allen is even more widely known, for he is a Thirty-third degree Mason, who has filled many offices, local, state, and national, in this great fraternal order.

A native and lifelong resident of Portland, Frank Colman Allen was born in this city on November 1, 1870, son of S. Colman and Helen (Bailey) Allen, both of whom are now deceased. His mother

was also born in Portland. His father, born at Ashley, Massachusetts, came to the Maine metropolis as a young man and was long a member of the firm of Kendall and Whitney. After attending the schools of his birthplace, the son, at the age of sixteen years, entered the employ of Kendall and Whitney as a general helper around the store, which specialized in the sale of seeds and agricultural supplies.

It was in 1892 that Frank Colman Allen became associated with Cressey, Jones and Allen, a small concern that distributed musical instruments and accessories. It had been founded in 1885 and had grown slowly. By 1914 the business had increased so largely that it was incorporated. Charles R. Cressey and Frank Colman Allen purchased the Jones interest, and Mr. Cressey was named president, and Mr. Allen, treasurer. When Mr. Cressey died his son became treasurer, and Mr. Allen, president, a post in which he continued until 1948. In 1946 with the death of George T. Cressey, David Thomas was made treasurer. Cressey and Allen has kept pace with the changing times, while continuing to handle the old so long as it remains the best, such as the Steinway piano and Hammond organs. Band instruments, radios, records and music, retail and wholesale, are sold, and the firm is the distributor for Maine and four adjoining counties in New Hampshire, for the Radio Corporation of America products. Mr. Allen is now retired from business as the Cressey and Allen corporation was sold on December 1, 1948.

Apart from business and the normal activities of good citizenship, Mr. Allen enjoys Masonry and is a prominent figure in Masonic circles. He is a former Past Master of Ancient Landmarks Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, at Portland,



and was chairman of its finances for several years; a Past Commander, Portland Commandery, Knights Templar No. 2; past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of the State of Maine; past president of the Masonic Board of Trustees. Mr. Allen is an active Thirty-third degree member of the Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and Deputy for the Supreme Council for the State of Maine. On May 1, 1948, he received the Distinguished Service Medal from the Grand Lodge of Maine; is a member of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Lewiston. His religious affiliations are with the Williston Congregational Church.

At Portland, on June 5, 1895, Frank Colman Allen married Harriet Libby, of Portland, daughter of Addison and Marsha (Lawrence) Libby. Mr. and Mrs. Allen are the parents of the following children: 1. Donald L., who was born December 15, 1896; he attended Portland schools, and is currently a member of the firm of E. Hanson and Company, distributors of Packard and Studebaker motor cars. 2. Kenneth C., who was born March 13, 1898; a graduate of Portland High School and the University of Pennsylvania; now associated with Cressey and Allen. He married Catherine Twiss, of Lawrence, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of one son: Kenneth Colman, Jr., who was born May 20, 1923; a graduate of South Portland High School, now an undergraduate of the University of Maine; he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, World War II, and served for four years; was wounded in action at Iwo Jima and received the Purple Heart. 3. Malcolm B., who was born March 25, 1903, a graduate of Portland High School, and the University of Pennsylvania.

Prior to the war he was employed for eight years with Olin Industries, of Albion, Illinois, one of the largest concerns in the manufacture of firearms, being a specialist in gunnery. During World War II, he served as a lieutenant and prior to his honorable discharge was promoted to Major, Instructor of Gunnery, Army Air Force. He is currently manager of the sporting goods department of Marshall Field, in Chicago.

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**BARTLETT, George H.**

The active head of two Portland concerns in the mechanical and electrical fields, George H. Bartlett is also a leading citizen of that city and the surrounding territory of Southwestern Maine. He is treasurer and general manager of the Bartlett Radio Company and president of the Maine Electronic Supply Corporation, both located in Portland, and a well known personality in Masonic and civic circles. He was the organizer and the first president of the Portland Junior Chamber of Commerce and has otherwise promoted progress in the area.

Born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on January 5, 1909, George H. Bartlett is the son of the late George S. F. and Alice W. (Worcester) Bartlett. His father, who was born in Arlington, Massachusetts, of English ancestry, was for many years until his death in March, 1931, an officer of the Five Cent Savings Bank of Boston. The mother, a native of Cambridge, died in March, 1933. Both parents are buried at Winchester, Massachusetts.

George H. Bartlett, a graduate of Winchester High School, attended Chauncey Hall School of Boston and also the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In 1930 he established his first radio business in Boston, the Bartlett Radio La-





*Geo. H. Bartlett*



boratory. Later in 1930, however, he gave up the business to enter the employ of his father's institution, the Five Cent Savings Bank of Boston, where he became a teller. In October, 1931, he came to Maine, where at that time, he established the first of his two businesses, the Bartlett Radio Company, 8 Longfellow Square, Portland. This business was incorporated in 1947, with his wife as president, Raymond A. Rollins as vice president, Mr. Bartlett as treasurer and Mary Hay as assistant treasurer. Later, the Maine Electronic Supply Corporation was formed, with Mr. Bartlett as president. The Bartlett Radio Company specializes in service, handling radios, radio parts and tubes, phonographs, refrigerators and sound systems.

Mr. Bartlett organized the Junior Chamber of Commerce in 1940 and served as its president that year. He is now vice president and a director of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and is on the board of directors of the Retail Trade Board. He is also a member of the Portland Better Business Bureau and the Rotary Club of Portland. As a fraternal man he belongs to Hiram Lodge, No. 180, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at South Portland; Yates Lodge of Perfection, Portland Council of Princes of Jerusalem, Dunlap Chapter Rose Croix, the Maine Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree; Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Lewiston, and Kora Shrine Club, in which he serves on the executive council. His hobby is working with mechanical and electrical units, including old automobiles. He worships at Williston Congregational Church, Portland, and is president of the Cottage Farms Parent Teacher Association of Cape

Elizabeth and the Cape Cottage Bowling Association, as well as a member of the Portland Young Men's Christian Association, the National Small Business Men's Association, the Toastmasters International and the Cumberland Club.

Mr. Bartlett and Olive Morrell of Westbrook, daughter of Nolan and Ruth (Sawyer) Morrell, were married at Pride's Corner, Maine, on July 12, 1936. They are the parents of three children. The Bartletts reside in Cape Elizabeth.

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#### **LIGGETT, Melvin Ross**

As an industrial engineer, Melvin Ross Liggett has been active in several cities of the nation, before coming to Waterville, as vice president in charge of manufacturing of the C. F. Hathaway Company. He brought to his position broad technical education and a varied experience in his profession, factors that have made for efficiency and leadership. He is popular among associates and employees both, for his personality and for his understanding of the worker's problems and ambitions.

Melvin Ross Liggett was born at Muncie, Illinois, on December 11, 1910, son of Ross H. and Nellie (Graham) Liggett, his father being a retired farmer. After attending rural schools and the Oakwood High School, Oakwood, Illinois, he entered the University of Illinois, at Champaign, and completed his technical education in its College of Engineering. While still an undergraduate, he entered the employ of the General Motors Corporation, at Dayton, Ohio, during summer vacations, later going with the Norge Corporation at Muskegon, Michigan. After thus expanding his practical knowledge of refrigeration engineering, Mr. Liggett went with the Reliance Manufacturing Company, of Chicago, in charge of indus-



trial engineering, and later joined the Kurt Salmon Associates, of Washington, D. C., as a partner and industrial consultant. As mentioned, he is now vice president in charge of manufacturing of the C. F. Hathaway Company, of Waterville.

With other phases of Waterville life and affairs, Mr. Liggett is actively identified. He is a director of the Kennebec Savings and Loan Association, of this place, has served with the municipal city government, and is a member of the Kiwanis Club, and the Waterville Country Club. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and his college fraternity is Theta Upsilon Omega. He attends the Pleasant Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Waterville.

On February 8, 1940, at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Melvin Ross Liggett married Minnie Merle Tatum, daughter of West and Minnie (Thrash) Tatum. Mr. and Mrs. Liggett are the parents of a daughter, Martha Elizabeth, who was born March 24, 1947.

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#### **HOLOHAN, Rev. John F.**

To the service of God and the Church, the Rev. John F. Holohan has devoted his life. As pastor of the Sacred Heart Church, in Waterville, he is the spiritual leader of the parish, and is identified with many phases of life in the city. He is a native of Revere Beach, Massachusetts, born in 1892, the son of David Holohan, a carpenter. John F. Holohan was educated for his work at Mt. Melleray Seminary, Ireland. After eighteen years in a pastorate at East Millinocket, the Rev. Holohan came to the Sacred Heart Church at Waterville, in 1945, and has since carried on his manifold duties with admirable success. He wields a benefi-

cent influence in the several organizations connected with the church, and in the community as a whole.

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#### **BROWN, Carleton Dutton**

President and general manager of the Kennebec Broadcasting Company, Waterville, Maine, Carleton Dutton Brown is a man of varied interests and abilities, for before his present association with the radio field he was a professional photographer, successfully operating The Brown Studio and The Brown Camera Shop in Waterville. He takes a vital interest in civic affairs as well, having been a city councilman and for several years a member of the board of aldermen. The wide scope of his talents and his earnest application of them have made him invaluable to his community.

Son of Harry Sanford and Maude (Burleigh) Brown, Carleton Dutton Brown was born in Fairfield, April 16, 1910. His father was a Waterville merchant for more than forty years. Carleton Dutton Brown received his education in Waterville, graduating from Coburn Classical Institute, a preparatory school there, in 1929. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Colby College in 1933. Interested from his early years in photography, he entered the Daguerre Memorial Institute of Photography, and following graduation entered the field professionally, accepting employment in St. Petersburg, Florida, with Kirby Studios, a portrait studio. Mr. Brown was later employed as news photographer for the St. Petersburg "Times" and Associated Press, this connection continuing through 1933-1934. In the latter year, he operated a studio for Howe Studios of Portland, Maine, at Hotel Balsams, Dixville Notch, New Hampshire, and in November, 1934, purchased the Waddington Studio in





*Louis P. Fortson*



Waterville, Maine. Under the name of The Brown Studio, he operated the business continuously from that time until its sale in 1946. In 1937 Mr. Brown had also purchased a retail photographic business, also in Waterville, which was conducted under the name of The Brown Camera Shop until its sale just prior to the outbreak of World War II. The Brown Studio continued in operation until its sale in 1946.

During 1942-1944, Mr. Brown devoted half time to the United States Army Air Forces as an instructor in physics at Colby College, where an Air Force Training Detachment of air cadets was assigned. In July, 1941, Mr. Brown promoted and organized the Kennebec Broadcasting Company, a Maine corporation chartered to "build, maintain, and operate all types of broadcasting stations in Maine." In March, 1946, Mr. Brown terminated all connection with the photographic business and from that time to the present has maintained a full-time business association with the Kennebec Broadcasting Company as the president and general manager.

This company built and operates a standard radio broadcasting station with studios and offices at 36 Silver Street, Waterville, and transmitting facilities at 140 Benton Avenue, Winslow. The station was granted a license to broadcast by the Federal Communications Commission on June 19, 1946, on 1490 kilocycles, with a power of two hundred and fifty watts. It is a basic supplementary affiliate station of the American Broadcasting Company.

Mr. Brown serves his community in various civic organizations. He is a director of the Waterville-Winslow Chamber of Commerce; is a member of the Kiwanis Club, and of Zeta Psi fraternity.

He is associated with professional groups among both professional photographers and radio men, being a member of the National Association of Broadcasters, the Maine Association of Broadcasters, the New York Radio Executives Club, and the Photographers Association of America. The last-named organization conferred on Mr. Brown two national awards for portraiture.

During World War II, Carleton Dutton Brown served his country on the home front as a craftsman, producing a small machine part vital in submarine warfare. Among his hobbies is writing. He is a member of the First Baptist Church.

At Waterville, June 15, 1936, Carleton Dutton Brown married Louise Smith Williams, and they have become the parents of three children: David Dinsmore, Susan Gail, and Douglas Williams.

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#### **PORTEOUS, Louis R.**

For many years widely known as operator of one of New England's largest department stores, Louis R. Porteous has been president and treasurer of the Porteous, Mitchell and Braun Company of Portland since May, 1939.

Mr. Porteous was born December 15, 1883, in Norwich, Connecticut, son of the late John Porteous, who died in 1939 at the age of eighty-eight years. The elder Mr. Porteous was the founder of the business, which was originally situated in Norwich, Connecticut. The original firm was Hislop, Porteous and Mitchell, which subsequently established branch stores at Grand Rapids, Saginaw and Detroit, Michigan and Fort Wayne, Indiana. Finally in 1906, the firm established itself in Portland, here becoming known as Porteous, Mitchell and Braun Company. Robert Braun (q.v.) remained in the or-

ganization until his retirement in 1934, to interest himself in other enterprises. John Porteous, father of Louis R. Porteous, purchased Mr. Mitchell's interest in 1910, and himself continued as president of the department store until his death in 1939.

His son, Louis R. Porteous, was graduated from Phillips Andover Academy in 1904, and from the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University as a Bachelor of Philosophy in 1907. He immediately became associated with his father in the Porteous, Mitchell Company, of Norwich, Connecticut, of which he eventually became president and treasurer at his father's death. He also became president and treasurer of Porteous, Mitchell and Braun Company of Portland. The present store is one of the finest in the United States and Louis R. Porteous is widely known for his contribution to its success in recent years.

He is also deeply interested in the general business and civic life of Portland, where he is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Portland Country Club, the Cumberland Club, and the Proul's Neck Country Club. He also belongs to the Pinehurst Country Club in Pinehurst, North Carolina. He is a member of the Congregational Church, and his wife is an Episcopalian. In his spare time he enjoys golf.

Louis R. Porteous married, October 9, 1918, in Detroit, Michigan, Florence Ann Cushman, daughter of the late Bennett B. and Arlee (McKnight) Cushman. They became the parents of the following children: 1. John Porteous, 2nd, born September 20, 1919, in Portland. He attended Andover Academy and the University of Virginia, and served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal and the Soldier's Medal for saving

the lives of two pilots in the course of active service in New Guinea. John Porteous, 2nd, married, in May, 1947, Olga Harrington, of New York City, daughter of George P. Harrington. They now live at Syosset, Long Island, New York. 2. Louis R. Porteous, Jr., born March 21, 1923, in Norwich, Connecticut, attended St. George's School at Newport, Rhode Island, graduated from Bowdoin College in June, 1948, served in the Pacific Theater of Operations as a member of the Navy Quartermaster Corps during World War II. He is now associated with his father in business. 3. Bennett C., born June 5, 1927, attended the Fessenden School in West Newton, Massachusetts, and the Brooks School in North Andover, and the Hun School at Princeton, New Jersey. He plans eventually to associate himself with the business of his father.

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#### **JETTE, Ellerton Marcel**

Ellerton Marcel Jette is president of the C. F. Hathaway Company of Waterville, the oldest-established shirt manufacturer in the United States. With a background of mercantile experience (his father having operated a retail store), and thorough training for responsibilities in industry, Mr. Jette rose steadily to the chief executive post of the C. F. Hathaway Company, since his first connection with the firm in 1932. In addition to his achievements in the manufacturing field, which have won him a place of high standing among the business leaders of Maine, Mr. Jette has served his country in time of war, and is prominent in the activities of Masonic orders.

A native of Connecticut, Ellerton Marcel Jette was born in Wauregan, December 8, 1899, son of Joseph Zoel and Nellie (Williams) Jette, his father being a retail merchant in that town. Ellerton M. Jette



attended Wauregan Grammar School, graduating in 1913, and Killingly High School in Danielson, Connecticut, from which he graduated in 1917. He then took two years of college studies at Boston University. During World War I, Mr. Jette served in the United States Army, assigned to the Officers Training Corps from September, 1918, to January, 1919. He remained stateside until the time of his discharge.

Thereafter Mr. Jette became associated with the C. F. Hathaway Company of Waterville. He rose steadily through positions of increasing responsibility, and was made president in May, 1932.

The C. F. Hathaway Company has occupied its present site in Waterville since 1838, when it was established by Charles F. Hathaway. It is the oldest existing shirt manufacturing concern in the United States, and has been in continuous operation since the time of its founding. Each successive generation of its management has added to its factory facilities, which were originally located in the Hathaway house. That house is now the front portion of the present building, and has remained the nucleus for a constantly expanding enterprise. The men's wear and other products now produced by the C. F. Hathaway Company are sold all over the United States and in many foreign countries.

Mr. Jette is a member of the Blue Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Chapter, and the Council. He is an Episcopalian in his religious faith.

On August 14, 1945, Elliston Marcel Jette married Edith Kemper, daughter of Ludwig and Theodora Kemper. Mr. and Mrs. Jette reside in China, Maine.

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#### MUSKIE, Edmund

An attorney engaged in successful

practice in Waterville, Maine, Edmund Muskie has gone on to become an eminent figure in public life, both in his own community and the state. He has shown qualities of leadership in the Democratic party, and has been elected representative to the Maine State Legislature. Mr. Muskie was also engaged in active service to his country during World War II, as a naval officer. He exerts a considerable influence in civic and professional organizations.

Mr. Muskie's father, Stephen, was a tailor, conducting his business in Rumford at the time of his son's birth there, March 28, 1914. His wife was the former Josephine Czarnecki. Edmund Muskie received his early schooling in his native community, and continued at Baker College, where he graduated in 1935 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Four years later Mr. Muskie received the degree of Bachelor of Laws from the law school of Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

Returning in that year, 1939, to his native state, he established an independent practice as attorney-at-law in Waterville, which he has continued since, with the exception of a period spent in the United States Navy during World War II. Edmund Muskie saw action in the Pacific Theater of Operations, in several of the areas of most intense conflict: Okinawa, Guam and Saipan. He attained the rank of lieutenant, and was placed on inactive duty from the United States Navy December 18, 1945.

Both before and since his period of naval service, Edmund Muskie has devoted considerable of his attention to the public service. He is a member of the Waterville Zoning Board. Elected his district's representative in the legislature of the state of Maine in 1944, Mr. Muskie has served on several important com-



mittees of that body. He has been a member of the Military Affairs Committee, the Special Committee on Taxation, the Federal Relations Committee, and the Judiciary Committee; and he was elected in 1948 to the Budget Committee. He served as House Democratic Floor Leader in the 94th Legislature. His record of service in Congress has been a most commendable one.

Professionally, Mr. Muskie is a member of the American Bar Association, the Maine Bar Association, and the Kennebec Bar Association, as well as of Delta Sigma Rho and Phi Beta Kappa fraternities, of which he became a member while in residence at Cornell University. In local affairs, he is no less active, being a member of the Central Maine Fish and Game Association, which is closely related to his hobby of hunting and fishing. He also belongs to the Lions Club of Waterville. In his religious faith, Mr. Muskie is a Roman Catholic.

At Waterville, May 29, 1948, Edmund Muskie married Jane Gray, of that city. He has a son, Stephen Oliver, born March 18, 1949. They make their home in Waterville, where Mr. Muskie's office is located, at 131 Main Street.

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#### **SCALIA, Albert**

As president of the Vincent Fruit Company, Albert Scalia operates one of the successful fruit and vegetable wholesale firms in Lewiston. This firm has pioneered in the packaging of tomatoes and other food products.

Mr. Scalia was born August 3, 1896, in Boston, Massachusetts, son of Anthony and Anna Scalia. His father was also engaged in the produce business. After attending Boston schools, Albert Scalia was employed by his father in that city,

remaining there in the produce business until he came to Lewiston in 1940 and opened the Vincent Fruit Company. This enterprise utilizes the services of about sixteen workers, and serves the entire central Maine district. A fleet of seven trucks delivers its fruits and vegetables throughout this area. Under the same ownership, the Rockland Fruit and Produce Company carries on a similar work, centering its activities in Rockland. Formerly, when Mr. Scalia had his business in Boston, he and H. H. Holliger, of Bridgeville, Delaware, became pioneers in bringing strawberries to Boston from productive areas in refrigerator trucks.

Along with his other undertakings, Mr. Scalia is a member of the Lewiston Exchange Club, the State of Maine Boosters' Association, the Maine Publicity Bureau and the Boston Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

In 1942, in Boston, Massachusetts, Albert Scalia married Betty Marcoux, daughter of Emil Marcoux. They became the parents of one daughter, Linda.

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#### **ROBINSON, George Edgar, Jr.**

A business man of initiative in the city of Portland, George Edgar Robinson, Jr., had a thorough background in the sales field before establishing, in 1946, his own concern, the Humpty Dumpty Potato Chip Company, Inc. He is highly regarded by his colleagues in the commercial field, and by his fellow townsmen, and he takes a lively interest in Masonic affairs.

Born in South Portland, April 5, 1911, George E. Robinson, Jr., is a son of George Edgar and Etta (Woodbury) Robinson, his father being chief engineer for the county on the Portland-South Portland Bridge. All of the younger



*George E. Robinson Jr.*





George Robinson's education was obtained in the South Portland school system. He attended East High Street School from 1917 to 1921, Broadway Grammar School from 1922 to 1927, and the South Portland High School from 1927 to 1931. His first business connection was with the Educator Biscuit Company, with which he remained from 1934 to 1937, in the capacity of salesman. He was next salesman for Jordan's Ready-to-Eat Meats, from 1937 to 1942, after which Mr. Robinson accepted a position as sales manager for King Cole Foods, Inc. He remained with this firm until 1946, and in that year his thorough and varied experience in the field of food sales, coupled with the resourcefulness and self-reliance of the independent business man, led him to try his fortune at a private enterprise. The Humpty Dumpty Potato Chip Company, Inc., has more than come up to his expectations, and has brought to Portland a new and promising industry, solidly founded upon a product in considerable and steady demand. Mr. Robinson's plant is at 72 Second Street in South Portland.

Mr. Robinson is affiliated with Hiram Lodge, in South Portland, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He has attained the Thirty-second degree, and is a member of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and of the Portland Shrine Club. He and his family attend the People's Methodist Episcopal Church in South Portland.

In that church, on November 13, 1938, George Edgar Robinson, Jr., married Dorothy Elizabeth Cheney, daughter of Stanley and Lillian (Richardson) Cheney. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson are the parents of two children: 1. Suzanne, born December 21, 1940. 2. Cherry Lynn, born April 25, 1945.

#### **AFES, Abraham**

Extensively engaged in industrial work in Auburn, Abraham Afes is president of the Rock Maple Wood Heel Company, which manufactures wood heels for every type of women's shoe.

Mr. Afes was born November 3, 1901, in Haverhill, Massachusetts, son of Michael and Fay Afes. His father, born in 1869, was for years a professor throughout his active career. Abraham Afes attended Haverhill schools through the high school grades, then turned his attention to the world of business and industry. In 1916 he joined Ornshen's Wood Heel Company in Haverhill, there remaining until 1923. In that year he launched his own wood heel manufacturing enterprise in Lowell, Massachusetts, producing the first such heel in that community. Subsequently he opened a second plant. Then he started a branch in Haverhill. His next step was to establish a branch in Keene, New Hampshire. In 1932 he moved to Maine and founded the present Rock Maple Wood Heel Company, which employs sixty people and serves shoe factories in all parts of Maine.

During World War II, the company was active in production for the government. Mr. Afes is widely known in his industry, and is a member of the Massachusetts Wood Heel Association. He is affiliated with the Exchange Club of Auburn, the Young Men's Christian Association, Boys' Town, the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith and the Free and Accepted Masons. In the Masonic order he is connected with Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of Beth Jacob Temple. In odd moments Mr. Afes enjoys playing cards or fishing.

In Auburn in 1934, Abraham Afes mar-

ried Eve Bancroft. They became the parents of four children: Drane, Sandra, Elliot and Van Afes.

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**NONORGUES, Rev. Vital E.**

Rev. Vital E. Nonorgues, pastor of the Holy Family Roman Catholic Church of Lewiston, has been associated with the Holy Family Parish in Lewiston since its very beginning in 1923 and has built it up through the years. Father Nonorgues founded the first parochial credit union in Maine, and this movement too he has seen grow from a modest start to substantial proportions.

Father Nonorgues was born near Monforts Meu, Brittany, in France, in 1887, the son of Joseph and Mary Nonorgues, his father being a lumber man. He was educated for the priesthood in Rennes, France, where he took a classical course. He then went to Halifax, Nova Scotia, and there was ordained as a priest of the Roman Catholic Church. Father Nonorgues first came to Lewiston as curate at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church and remained for about six months. He finally came back to Lewiston in 1923 to start a new parish, that of the Holy Family, at Sabattus Street, where the church, school and convent now stand. Father Nonorgues had first to secure the money for the new buildings. To begin with, mass was said on Sundays in the Grange Hall and on weekdays in the Rectory. In 1924 ground was broken for both church and school, and the church was completed in the summer of that year and the school in the autumn. The school opened officially in 1927, its teachers being nuns of the Order of St. Joseph from Lyons, France. The school started with only two classes and eighty to ninety pupils, but now has all grades, five hundred and fifty-one pupils, and fifteen nuns of the Order of

St. Joseph as teachers. The Parish of the Holy Family consists of approximately eight hundred families, and Father Nonorgues has one curate to assist him. He is, as mentioned above, the founder of the Credit Union of the Holy Family Parish, which has the honor of being the first parochial credit union in Maine. It started with sixty members and \$600 capital, and now has eight hundred members and nearly \$150,000 capital. Father Nonorgues, who has now been pastor of the Holy Family Parish for over a quarter of a century, holds a unique place in the community and in the hearts of his parishioners. His hobby and chief leisure-time activity is the study of philosophy and theology.

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**PRESCOTT, Franklin H.**

Franklin H. Prescott, in partnership with his son William, operates a profitable gasoline station and parking lot business in Auburn, and also a warehouse and trucking service. Mr. Prescott plays a prominent part in local affairs, and since 1946 has been chairman of the Republican city committee of Auburn.

Born in Auburn July 31, 1901, Franklin H. Prescott is a son of Albion Shepard and Chrissie Prescott. His father was a shoemaker. After attending the Auburn schools, Mr. Prescott worked for the city of Auburn for eight years, gaining all-around experience in municipal affairs. He drove the first city truck in the highway department and worked in all other departments. Then he entered the employ of the Wood & Smith Shoe Company of Auburn, starting in as a novice, and in the course of the fourteen years that he spent in the service of this concern he advanced to the position of assistant superintendent. On April 14, 1939,







*Clarence B. Beckett.*

Mr. Prescott became the operator of a new Gulf Oil service station on the corner of Court and North Main Street, and later he also began operation of a warehouse and trucking service and parking lot service. When his son, William Prescott, returned from service in the United States Army during World War II, he became a partner in his father's businesses, which now comprise the following: the Prescott Gulf Oil Service Station mentioned above; Prescott's Annex and Parking Lot; Prescott's Warehouse and Trucking Service; the Franklin Street Amoco Gas Station and Franklin Street Parking Lot. Meantime, ever since opening his first gasoline station, Mr. Prescott had taken a keen interest in city affairs, and since 1946 he has been chairman of the Republican city committee of Auburn. He is very active in civic affairs and a leading member of local organizations. A Kiwanian, he leads the singing at the noon Kiwanis luncheons, and he also sings in the choir of the Elm Street Universalist Church, of which he is a member and a trustee. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and is a member of the Portland Shrine Club and assistant director of the Kora Shrine Chanters. He is past councilor of Twin City Council; Grand Chaplain of the Grand Council of New England; and Past Patron of the Pine Cone Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. Mr. Prescott also belongs to the New Auburn Social Club, the Young Men's Christian Association, the Taylor Pond Yacht Club, the United Commercial Travelers, the Auburn Firemen's Relief Association, the Maine Commercial Travelers, the Maine Petroleum Dealers Association, and the Auburn Chamber of Commerce. Mr.

Prescott's great hobbies are singing and sailing.

On February 5, 1921 at Auburn he was married to Marion Humphrey. Mr. and Mrs. Prescott have two children. 1. William, who served in the United States Army during World War I and is now associated with his father in the business. 2. Barbara Ruth, now studying for her Doctor of Philosophy degree at the University of Maine.

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#### **BECKETT, Clarence Bertram**

Extensively engaged in business affairs in Calais, Clarence Bertram Beckett is a partner in the wholesale grocery house of Beckett and Company, the wholesale grocery enterprise of his family, in which today he represents the third generation of management. It distributes its products throughout Washington County and this region of Maine.

Mr. Beckett was born December 31, 1901, in Calais, son of Frank N. and Delia (Leighton) Beckett and member of an old and noted family. His father was a partner in the same business, which was founded by the grandfather, John G. Beckett, in 1855. Although born in 1862, Frank N. Beckett is still active in the business.

Clarence Bertram Beckett attended Calais Academy, where he was graduated in 1919, afterward entering the University of Maine and receiving there the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1923. He then entered Beckett and Company. In addition to its establishment for the distribution of groceries at wholesale, Beckett and Company owns and operates a bottling plant for the bottling of soft drinks. The company has the Royal Crown Cola franchise.

In addition to these activities in the food industries, Mr. Beckett is widely



known in other business undertakings in this region. He is owner of Calais Motors, which he founded in 1938 as agents for the Packard and International Harvester products. He is treasurer and a director of the Calais Box and Lumber Company. Mr. Beckett's interests in civic affairs have been extensive. He is a member of the Maine Development Commission. A Republican, he served in the Maine State Senate from 1937 to 1940, then on the Governor's executive council from 1943 to 1947. He was a city alderman of Calais from 1933 to 1935 and mayor of the community from 1935 to 1937.

Other local activities include a vice presidency in the Calais Federal Savings and Loan Association. He is a past president of the local Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club, as well as a member of the St. Croix Club and the Free and Accepted Masons. In the Masonic order he is a past master of the Calais lodge, a past high priest of the Royal Arch chapter, a past master of the council of Royal and Select Masters, a past commander of the Knights Templar commandery and an initiate in Anah Temple in Bangor of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Beckett attends the Baptist Church.

On May 18, 1923, in Wheeling, West Virginia, Clarence Bertram Beckett married Frances M. Lane, of Topsfield, Maine, who is a dietitian by profession, a graduate of the Boston School of Domestic Science, a daughter of Daniel G. and Jennie (Gilpatrick) Lane. Mr. and Mrs. Beckett have one adopted daughter, Ruth, born May 25, 1923, attended Calais Academy and Higgins Classical Institute. She became the wife of Walter K. Lewis, of Calais, who served in the Army Air Corps during World War II,

being attached to the Sixth Air Division in the Pacific theater until honorably discharged as a technical sergeant in 1946. The Lewises have two children, Daniel W. and John M. Lewis.

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**WATSON, Harold W., D.O.**

Within the few years of his practice, Dr. Harold W. Watson has earned an excellent reputation as osteopathic physician and surgeon in Westbrook, Maine. Dr. Watson is a member of the staff of the Osteopathic Hospital in Portland. He has sound training in his profession, and is prominently identified with the organizations of his colleagues.

Born February 26, 1917 in Brattleboro, Vermont, Dr. Watson is a son of Joseph A. and Fannie Elizabeth (Holden) Watson. Joseph A. Watson was likewise a native of Brattleboro, and was a contractor by trade. He passed away in July, 1940. His wife, the former Fannie Elizabeth Holden, was also a Vermonter, born in Guilford.

Harold W. Watson completed his elementary schooling in Brattleboro and graduated from high school there. He took his premedical courses at the University of Missouri, then entered Kirksville Osteopathic College in Kirksville, Missouri, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy in 1943. Dr. Watson interned at the Woodruff Hospital, Rochester, Michigan, followed by residencies as physician and surgeon, and these appointments occupied the years from 1943 to 1946. In the latter year, Dr. Watson established himself in private practice, selecting Westbrook, Maine, as his location, and has remained there since, maintaining offices at 846 Main Street. Through his skill and conscientious endeavor, he has already attracted a sizeable clientele. His is a



general osteopathic practice. Dr. Watson is also a member of the staff of the Osteopathic Hospital in Portland. He is a member of the Maine Osteopathic Association and of the American Osteopathic Association.

While in Missouri, Dr. Watson became affiliated with Lodge No. 366, at Kirksville, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Westbrook, and of the Baptist Church. He finds enjoyment in the active sports of golf, swimming, and horseback riding.

At Woodfords Congregational Church in Portland, July 5, 1946, Dr. Harold W. Watson married Marion A. Barker of Cape Elizabeth, which is located just south of Portland. Mrs. Watson is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Barker. She is a graduate of Deering High School in Portland, and of Westbrook Junior College. She and Dr. Watson make their home at 78 Saco Street in Westbrook.

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#### **O'BRIEN, Harold G.**

Harold G. O'Brien, president of the Eastern Shoe Supply Company of Lewiston, the Lewiston Rubber Company and the H. G. O'Brien Die Company, all located at 34 Park Street, Lewiston, was born in Lynn, Massachusetts, in 1910. He is the son of Frank H. O'Brien, with whom he was associated in business until his father's retirement in 1940. Frank H. O'Brien died in 1941.

Harold G. O'Brien attended high school in Pittsfield, Maine. In 1930 he and his father, Frank H. O'Brien, opened the Eastern Shoe Supply Company in Auburn, and five years later Harold G. O'Brien started the H. G. O'Brien Die Company, making perforating dies for shoe designs. The two companies moved to Lewiston in 1939 and leased premises

on Park Street. These they modernized and adapted to their requirements. The business offices are paneled in knotty pine. In 1944 Mr. O'Brien bought out the Lewiston Rubber Company, which distributes its products not only in the state of Maine but as far afield as Cincinnati, St. Louis, Chicago and Milwaukee. During World War II the H. G. O'Brien Die Company was reconditioned for war work and manufactured radar parts. Mr. O'Brien is a member of the New England Die Association and the Maine Publicity Bureau. He is one of the incorporators of the People's Savings Bank of Lewiston. He and his family attend St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in Auburn, where they make their home.

In 1935 in Lewiston Harold G. O'Brien was married to Sophie Stasules. Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien are the parents of two daughters. Both of these young ladies share their father's hobby of horseback riding. 1. Constance May, aged ten, is a superb horsewoman and has won prizes all over New England. She is the champion in equitation for the state of Maine of all those thirteen years old and under, and was chosen by the New England Council to represent the state of Maine in the eighteen-years-old-and-under championship for New England and picked as the third best rider of New England. 2. Rita Ann, aged seven is also starting her career as a horseback rider. Mr. O'Brien, who is devoted to the sport of horseback riding, keeps from three to five horses at his home in West Auburn.

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#### **ALLEN, Ervin E.**

Ervin E. Allen, president of the Allen Manufacturing Company of Auburn, manufacturers of venetian blinds in wood, steel, and aluminum, was born May 11, 1910 in Brockton, Massachusetts, the son

of Murray and Elva (Elva) Allen. Mr. Allen's father was associated with the United Shoe Machinery Corporation.

Mr. Allen attended the Edward Little High School of Auburn. After leaving school he became associated with B. Peck Company of Lewiston and remained with this concern for fifteen years, serving as buyer of men's and boys' clothing and furnishings. In 1942 Mr. Allen went to Augusta, where for eight months he was identified with the Office of Price Administration. On February 1, 1943 he joined the United States Army Medical Corps and served in the armed forces for two years, part of this time in France and Belgium. He was discharged in December, 1945, and for the next year was associated with the Maritime Oil Company in Rockland.

On January 1, 1947 Mr. Allen embarked upon a business of his own, opening the Allen Manufacturing Company at 36 North Main Street in Auburn. The company manufactures venetian blinds in wood, steel, and aluminum, serving the entire state of Maine. It has furnished venetian blinds for three new Maine telephone buildings, one in Lewiston, one in Biddeford and one in Farmington. It has also done considerable work for such well-known Maine hotels as the De Witt, the Augusta House and Hotel Harris. Mr. Allen is a member of the New England Venetian Blind Association and the Venetian Blind Association of America. He is active in the local chapter of the American Red Cross and a supporter of the Maine Publicity Bureau. Fraternally Mr. Allen is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and the Auburn Exchange Club. He is a member of the High Street Congregational Church. Mr. Allen's hobby is photography. He is unmarried.

#### **ANDREW, Laurence C.**

With the utilization of the timber resources of Maine, Laurence C. Andrew has been associated since youth. As the owner and directing operator of his own business, he manufactures lumber products and is a distributor of building supplies, with a plant in South Windham, and sales headquarters in Portland. He is a native of Lisbon, New Hampshire, born on November 23, 1893, son of Irving B. and Lilla (Davis) Andrew, his father, now deceased, having been owner and manager of the B. F. Andrew and Son Company, lumber company, of Lisbon and Littleton, New Hampshire.

After attending the Portland grammar and the Deering High School, Laurence C. Andrew entered Gray's Business College, at Portland, and after completing studies in business administration, began his career in the lumber trade. From 1913 to 1925, he made and dealt chiefly in box shooks and lumber at South Windham. In 1925, his box shook mill was destroyed by fire, but Mr. Andrew continued his operations in the making and handling of lumber, later expanding his facilities for furnishing a general line of builder's supplies. Currently the South Windham plant and warehouse spread over about ten acres of land, from which extend railroad sidings directly connected with the Maine Central Railroad. A goodly portion of the business specializes in the manufacture and finishing of Maine pine and hemlock lumber. In a host of forms it comes ready for use by contractors and, as already indicated, builder's supplies are also sold. A fleet of fourteen trucks distribute these materials principally to Portland and the southern Maine area. Saco, Biddeford, Lewiston, Auburn, and other centers are numbered among the places reached by





James C. Andrew.





the trucks, including all the farming communities from the coast to New Hampshire. Portland is the seat of display and sales office facilities, and a staff of ten salesmen and two architects are maintained. In brief, Laurence C. Andrew, his associates and employees, are prepared to serve the individual builder of a home and the large scale contractor, rendering aid in the solution of the varied problems involved. A well-known personage in southern Maine life, Mr. Andrew is a director of the First Portland National Bank, a member of the Portland Executives Club, affiliated with several lumber trade organizations, such as the American Forestry Association, the Northeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association, and the Northeastern Retail Lumbermen's Association. He attends the State Street Congregational Church, and co-operates with a number of religious and charitable projects. He is a Republican in politics.

On September 15, 1915, at Portland, Laurence C. Andrew married Helen E. Richardson, daughter of William and Mary (Huston) Richardson. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew are the parents of the following children: 1. Ruth Andrew Neville, born August 7, 1916, a graduate of Miss Wheelock's School, Boston. 2. William Richardson, who was born November 18, 1917, a graduate of Wesleyan University and Hartford Theological Seminary. 3. Laurence Clyde, Jr., who was born July 23, 1919. A graduate of Dartmouth College, and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he enlisted for service in World War II, and served four years with the United States Army Engineers, with the rank of lieutenant. 4. David Kilton, born April 8, 1925, a graduate of the Anderson School and Dartmouth College. During World War II he en-

listed in the United States Marines, and served for four years. 5. Jeanette, who was born June 15, 1926, a graduate of Smith College. 6. Helen, who was born January 20, 1928, a graduate of Smith College.

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#### **LEADBETTER, Donald A.**

After apparently being settled to a career as a journalist, Donald A. Leadbetter turned to the study of the law, and in point of years of practice is one of the relatively new members of the bar in Portland. His experience in the newspaper world has proved to be a most excellent preparation for practice as an attorney, and as such he figures prominently not only in his profession, but in community life as well.

Born in South Portland, Maine, on September 11, 1905, Donald A. Leadbetter is a son of Arthur C. and Grace (Hayward) Leadbetter, both natives of Maine. His mother came originally from Leeds, and his father, from Turner. Prepared for further education in the Deering High School and the New Military Academy, at Cornwall, Donald A. Leadbetter matriculated at Bowdoin College, where he was graduated with the class of 1928, a Bachelor of Arts. He engaged in several campus activities and became a member of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity. From 1929 to 1938, he was a newspaperman, associated with the Gannett Publishing Company, in Portland. As a reporter he saw a great deal of life and affairs in the city, and became identified with a number of its organizations.

The law career of Mr. Leadbetter commenced with graduation from the Peabody Law School, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1941. That same year he was admitted to the Maine bar and has since been building up a general practice

of his profession. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the Maine Bar Association, and the Cumberland Bar Association. He is a director of cases for the Casco-Homestead Savings and Loan Association of Portland. From 1944 to 1948 he was recorder for the Portland Municipal Court. Influential in party politics and councils, Mr. Leadbetter is a former chairman of the Portland City Republican Committee, 1941 to 1944. He was an instructor and trustee of the Peabody Law School. Fraternally he is affiliated with Deering Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, of Portland, a member of the higher bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, a Thirty-second degree Mason, and member of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Lewiston. A popular clubman, he is a member of the Portland Club, the Woodfords Club, the Portland Country Club, the Purpoodock Country Club, and is one of the board of directors of the Maine State Golf Association. It need hardly be pointed out that he likes golf. He attends the Woodfords Congregational Church.

On September 21, 1929, at Portland, Donald A. Leadbetter married Priscilla L. Brown, daughter of Ralph P. and Lois H. (Hamilton) Brown, both natives of Greenville. Mrs. Leadbetter attended Perry Kindergarten School of Boston.

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**BRAMHALL, Dr. Theodore C.**

Dr. Theodore C. Bramhall has practiced medicine in Portland since 1931, specializing in obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Bramhall is chief of the gynecological service of the Maine General Hospital, and is a member of the hospital staff of the Mercy Hospital, the Maine Eye and Ear Hospital, and of the Webber Hospi-

tal at Biddeford, the other three hospitals being in Portland.

Dr. Bramhall was born in Belfast, Maine, June 11, 1900, the son of Eben F. and Alice (Coombs) Bramhall. His father was a sea captain in his early days, sailing out of Boston and Gloucester, Massachusetts. Later he went to Belfast and became a leading merchant. Dr. Bramhall's brother, Ralph A. Bramhall (q.v.) is president of the Maine Bonding & Casualty Company of Portland.

Theodore C. Bramhall was graduated from the Belfast High School and from Colby College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1924. He then took his medical training at the Harvard University Medical School, being graduated from this institution in 1928 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Dr. Bramhall then served as intern at Boston City Hospital, at Boston Lying In Hospital and at the Free Hospital for Women of Brookline, Massachusetts. In 1931 he established his practice at Portland, specializing in obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Bramhall is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and he belongs to the New England Surgical Society, the New England Gynecology and Obstetrics Society, the American Medical Association, the Maine Medical Association, the Cumberland County Medical Society and the Portland Medical Club. He is a member of the staff of the Portland Mercy Hospital and the Maine Eye and Ear Hospital at Portland, and also of the Webber Hospital at Biddeford, as well as being chief of the gynecological service of the Maine General Hospital at Portland. Dr. Bramhall is a member of the Portland Country Club, and enjoys a game of golf. He also likes to hunt. He and his family attend St. Luke's Cathedral.



On November 14, 1931 in New York City Dr. Bramhall was married to Eleanor A. Strickland of New York City, the daughter of Ralph Strickland. Mrs. Bramhall is a graduate of Simmons College in Boston. Dr. and Mrs. Bramhall have two children: 1. Peter T. C. Bramhall, born February 28, 1934, now a student at Deering High School. 2. Priscilla A. Bramhall, born May 10, 1935, now a student at Deering High School.

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**DEARBORN, Philip Murray**

A farmer all his life, Philip Murray Dearborn, of Cape Elizabeth, has been in public service continuously since he first became deputy sheriff of Cumberland County. He has been sheriff, with headquarters at Portland, the county seat, since 1944. In between, he also served as tax collector for the Town of Cape Elizabeth for fifteen years. He is a veteran of World War I and well known in ex-servicemen's circles, as he is in peace officers' and fraternal organizations.

The son of John and Abbie (Rand) Dearborn, Sheriff Dearborn was born at Cape Elizabeth on January 15, 1895. His father, who was born in Bradford, Maine, in 1858, settled in Cape Elizabeth in adulthood and there founded the farm on which the Sheriff was born and lives today. John Dearborn served on the school board and was otherwise active in civic and public affairs. He died in 1947, at the age of eighty-nine.

The Sheriff received his early education in the public schools of Cape Elizabeth. Following his graduation from the Cape Elizabeth High School, he went to the University of Maine and in 1915 was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science. Since 1915 he has given much time to farming, and in the first fifteen years after completing his education he

devoted himself entirely to it. From 1930 to 1944 Mr. Dearborn was Deputy Sheriff of Cumberland County. In 1931 he became Tax Collector of the Town of Cape Elizabeth, and this office he held until 1946. He was first elected Sheriff of the county in the Fall of 1944, taking office in January, 1945. He was re-elected in 1946 and again in 1948.

In World War I, Sheriff Dearborn served as a private in the United States Army and he is now active in the American Legion's programs in Cape Elizabeth and Portland. He is also a member of the Maine Law Enforcement Officers Association and the National Sheriffs Association. In fraternal circles, the Sheriff is a member of Hiram Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, South Portland; Yates Lodge of Perfection, Portland Council of Princes of Jerusalem, Dunlap Chapter of Rose Croix, Royal Arch Masons; the Maine Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree; Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Lewiston; the Kora Shrine Club and the Portland Masonic Club. He also belongs to the Kiwanis Club of South Portland.

Sheriff Dearborn married Stella J. Fotter, of Stratton, Maine, in the Town of Eustis, on June 18, 1918. Mrs. Dearborn is the daughter of the late Louis Fotter and of Mary (Wright) Fotter. Her mother, who was born in February, 1848, still makes her home at Stratton, where despite her great age she continues active and influential as well as beloved. Sheriff and Mrs. Dearborn worship in South Congregational Church, Cape Elizabeth. They are the parents of four children: 1. Martha E., now Mrs. James Durrance, was born at Turner Center, Maine, March 1, 1919, is a graduate of

Cape Elizabeth High School and Northeastern Business College in Portland. She was married in South Portland in 1946. Her husband, a native of Tampa, Florida, served in the United States Army in World War II. They are the parents of Nancy Durrance, born in July, 1947, in Portland. 2. Richard W. Dearborn was born in Portland, August 12, 1920, was graduated from Cape Elizabeth High School and Bates College, the latter awarding him the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1940. He was a lieutenant senior grade in the United States Navy in World War II, serving in both the Pacific and European Theaters of War. He took part in the invasion of Normandy and, on the other side of the world, the invasion of Okinawa. In 1948 he was graduated from the Harvard University School of Law, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, and is now with the law firm of Chadbourne, Hunt, Jackel and Brown, 70 Pine Street, New York City. 3. Mary A., now Mrs. David Hale Jordan, was born in Portland on March 5, 1922, is a graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School and a former student of Portland Junior College. Her husband, to whom she was married in South Portland in August, 1946, is a native of Cape Elizabeth. He served in the United States Army in World War II, with the rank of sergeant. 4. Philip Murray Dearborn, Jr., born in Portland, November 23, 1933 was, in 1949, a student at Cape Elizabeth High School.

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**BROWN, Dr. Dwight F.**

Osteopathic surgeon and physician at South Portland and a member of the staff of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine at Portland, Dr. Dwight F. Brown was born in South Portland September 3, 1905. He is the son of Dr. Frank I. and Edith Anna (Philbrook) Brown. Frank I. Brown

(q.v.), practiced medicine at South Portland for many years, until his death May 23, 1933. Edith Anna (Philbrook) Brown was also a native of Bethel. She died June 5, 1943.

Graduating from the South Portland High School and from Hebron Academy, Dwight F. Brown studied at Bowdoin College, graduating in 1931 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then matriculated at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery at Kirksville, Missouri, and took his professional training there, graduating as a Doctor of Osteopathy. Since 1936 he has been a practicing osteopathic physician and surgeon at South Portland and a member of the staff of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine at Portland.

Dr. Brown serves as health officer for the village of Cape Elizabeth. He is a member of the Maine Osteopathic Society and the American Association of Osteopathy. Dr. Brown joined the Sigma Sigma Phi college fraternity and the Atlas Club at Kirksville, Missouri. He is affiliated with Hiram Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at South Portland, and belongs to the South Portland Kiwanis Club and the Purpoodock Golf Club. Dr. Brown's favorite recreations are hunting, fishing and golf, but he also makes a hobby of his show horses, and has many ribbons which they have won. He is a Congregationalist.

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**BROWN, Frank Irving, M.D.**

For well past four decades, Frank Irving Brown, M.D., was a general practitioner of medicine in South Portland, serving a large clientele with effectiveness, skill and understanding. He brought to his work superior formal and professional education, and used them liberally







*Dr. Dwight F. Brown*



DR. FRANK I. BROWN





in the community in which he was for so long active and honored.

A native of Bethel, Frank Irving Brown was prepared for higher studies in Gould Academy, in Bethel, and matriculated at Bowdoin College, where he completed his classical courses with the class of 1885. Remaining with his alma mater, he was graduated from its Medical School in 1889, a Doctor of Medicine. After being an intern at the Maine General Hospital, Portland, he established himself in practice at South Portland in 1890. The years that followed to his passing forty-three years later were eminently fruitful in the service of humanity and as an exemplar of the finest type of civic loyalty. In his very busy life he found time and place for public offices, being a representative from his district to the Maine Legislature, and for more than thirty-two years was a member of the South Portland School Board, a leader in the development of education in the community. For his splendid achievements in this capacity he was honored with having a public school named after him. At Bowdoin College he was a member of Theta Delta Chi fraternity, and he was a beloved member of the Bowdoin Club of Portland. He long was affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, being a Thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He worshipped at Bethany Congregational Church, and was identified with many religious and charitable projects.

Dr. Frank Irving Brown married Edith Anna Philbrook, who was born at Bethel. Dr. and Mrs. Brown were the parents of two sons: 1. Dr. Dwight F. (q.v.) 2. Philbrook, who died at the age of one year.

The death of this beloved physician, whose daily life was as an open book to hundreds of the people in the Portland area, occurred on May 28, 1933. Dr. Brown's professional services had been rendered with a keen sense of responsibility, devotion to duty, and a sympathy and kindness that endeared him both to patients and their families for more than one generation. He passed to his richly deserved reward with the warm affection of the public and his own wide circle of friends.

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#### STICKNEY, G. Elliot

A name that looms importantly in the great shoe industry of New England is that of G. Elliot Stickney of Portland and Newton, Massachusetts. He is president and treasurer of Holmes, Stickney, Inc., manufacturers of Bellaire—the foot slenderizing shoe, a make well known among women's arch-support shoes. He is one of Maine's large employers.

Mr. Stickney's birth took place at Waltham, Massachusetts, on September 11, 1896. Though born in the Old Bay State, he traces his ancestry to Maine forebears. His father was John H. and his mother Georgetta (Ellis) Stickney. Following his graduation from the Newton High School in 1915, Mr. Stickney went to work for W. H. McElwain Company, shoe manufacturers, where he learned the business. He served two years overseas with the Yankee Division during World War I.

In 1936 Mr. Stickney came to Maine and, in association with Herbert S. Holmes and Alfred Walker, organized the shoe manufacturing firm of Holmes, Stickney and Walker in Portland. In 1947, when Mr. Walker withdrew from the business, Mr. Stickney and Mr. Holmes established Holmes, Stickney,

Inc. Mr. Walker, incidentally, founded the Portland Footwear Company at this time. In 1948 Mr. Stickney purchased Mr. Holmes' interests in the business and has continued as the sole owner since. He employs three hundred persons. It is interesting to note that Holmes, Stickney, Inc., located at 15 Lowell Street, Portland, is on a site which since 1911 has been devoted to the manufacture of shoes. The first shoe factory there was owned by A. H. Berry and Sons. This plant has never stopped making shoes despite the many changes of ownership since the Berrys went out of business.

Mr. Stickney is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Cumberland Club. Still a resident of Newton, he belongs to the Brae Burn Country Club there; the Newton Villagers, a literary club, and to the Union Church of Waban.

He married Miriam Scott of Leicester, Massachusetts, the daughter of Robert and Jennie (Russell) Scott, in that Massachusetts city on September 15, 1928. They are the parents of two daughters: Ruth, born on January 24, 1930, who in 1949 was a student at the Cambridge School, Cambridge, and Barbara, born on June 7, 1932, who in 1949 was a student at the Beaver Country Day School in Massachusetts.

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#### **ROBBINS, George E.**

For years George E. Robbins of Portland has been a leader among real estate men in Maine. He is head of the firm of George E. Robbins, Realtor, and president of Maine Properties, Inc., a real estate and insurance firm. A soldier of World War I, he is prominent among veterans and is an appraiser for the Veterans Administration at Portland. Also, he is a Justice of the Peace. Active in a

variety of community, social and fraternal organizations, Mr. Robbins is especially well known in the Masonic world.

He was born at Lewiston on June 18, 1910, the son of the late George W. Robbins and Anna L. (Irwin) Robbins. His father, a native of Auburn, Maine, moved to Portland in 1912 and to South Portland in 1916. He was also a real estate man and, in addition, was a stocks and bonds broker. The mother was born in Lancashire, England.

George E. Robbins was graduated from the South Portland High School. From 1929 to 1931, he was in the employ of Dun and Bradstreet and from 1931 to 1933 of the Edwards and Walker Company of Portland. In 1933 he went to work as a real estate salesman and until 1938 was employed by others. In 1939 he established his own business, handling real estate. Soon after the United States entered World War II, Mr. Robbins went into the United States Army Air Forces, in which he became a sergeant. He served until 1945. He is now a staff sergeant in the Maine National Guard. He has been active in his business since his return from military service and has won such prominence as to be elected president of the Maine Real Estate Association for 1949. In the year 1947-1948 he was president of the Portland Board of Realtors. He is also a member of the National Association of Real Estate Boards and the National Institute of Real Estate Brokers. Through his firm, Maine Properties, Inc., Mr. Robbins covers all of Maine. He is president of this company, his wife treasurer. His office is at 465 Congress Street, Portland.

Mr. Robbins is president (1950) of the Portland Masonic Club and active in the American Legion in Portland. He is a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau,



being on the State Advisory Committee. With his wife he attends St. Luke's Cathedral in Portland. In fraternal circles, Mr. Robbins belongs to Hiram Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, South Portland; Yates Lodge of Perfection and Maine Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree; the Portland Council of Princes of Jerusalem; Dunlap Chapter of Rose Croix; Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Lewiston, and the Shrine and Masonic Clubs of Portland. Hunting and fishing are his favorite sports.

At Alliston, Massachusetts, on June 7, 1939, Mr. Robbins married Ellen H. Landingham, who was born in the famed Cape Elizabeth Light House. Mrs. Robbins is the daughter of Thomas and Grace Helen (Desmond) Landingham. Her father died some years ago.

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#### **DUNTON, Guy F.**

Guy Franklin Dunton, president and treasurer of the Chase Transfer Corporation of Portland, has had broad experience in the fields of transportation, banking, and general business, and has proved himself one of this city's ablest executives. He has been given wide recognition for his progressive leadership in civic affairs.

The son of James F. and Addie E. (Swett) Dunton, Guy Franklin Dunton was born in South Portland and there received his early education. Later, he entered Wiscasset Academy, class of 1898, and attended Shaw Business College in the class of 1899. His first business connection was as clerk for the Canadian Express Company, which position he held from 1899 to 1904. Since that time he has been identified with the Chase

Transfer Company, of which he is president and treasurer; but to this post he has added, through the years, other positions of official status in Portland business organizations. From 1923 to 1930 Mr. Dunton was vice president of the Chapman National Bank, and during those same seven years he served as treasurer and director of the Preble Corporation which was then engaged in constructing the twelve-story building in Monument Square. He has also served as treasurer and director of the Portland Nash Holding Corporation, and since 1927 he has been a director of the Federal Loan & Building Association. He has been treasurer and a director of Maine Lake Shores, Inc., since 1926 and is also treasurer and a director of the Naples Corporation. Mr. Dunton has seen the motor trucking industry grow and change greatly during his long years in the field of transportation, and has been in the forefront of every move to improve conditions. One of the founders of the state's Commercial Motor Vehicle Association, he served this organization at various times as president, director, and chairman of the legislative committee, and since the formation of its successor, the Maine Truck Owners Association, in 1946, he has served the new organization in various capacities. He has been a director since 1946, served as chairman of the legislative committee in 1947 and was elected vice president in 1949.

Since 1940 Mr. Dunton has been a member of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce, which he has served as director and assistant treasurer, and he was an incorporator of the Maine School for the Blind in 1925. He is a member of the Maine Real Estate Association and the Portland Board of Realtors. His clubs are the Rotary Club, of which he was



president in 1919, the Woodfords and the Portland Propeller. Fraternally Mr. Dunton is affiliated with Ancient Landmark Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Mt. Vernon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and St. Albans Commandery, Knight Templar. He is a Republican in his politics, and attends the Methodist Church. For thirty-one years Mr. Dunton has been a member of the board of directors of the Portland Boys' Club Association, with which he became associated for the first time in 1917. From 1918 to 1929 he was chairman of the executive committee. He was a member of the committee which conducted the successful campaign for building funds in 1929, and a member of the committee which directed the construction of the building, as well as many other important committees concerned with the planning of the activities and the development of the Boys' Club. In recognition of Mr. Dunton's "long and devoted service to boys," Boys' Clubs of America on January 13, 1949 at a ceremony in Boston, Massachusetts, awarded him the Boys' Club Bronze Keystone.

On October 5, 1904 Guy Franklin Dunton married Bessie May Dow, the daughter of Joseph H. and Annie C. Dow of Portland. The Dunton residence is at 132 Brighton Avenue in Portland, and Mr. Dunton's office address is that of the Chase Transfer Corporation, 25 Commercial Street.

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#### **HACKER, Edward P.**

Edward P. Hacker, president and treasurer of the Ballard Oil & Equipment Company of Maine, with its main office in Portland, was born in Brunswick July 2, 1896, the son of Charles E. and Content J. (Prince) Hacker.

Mr. Hacker's father, who was a native

of Brunswick, was a general contractor until his death, which occurred in September, 1933. His mother, who was a native of Orr's Island, was a graduate of Kents Hill Academy at Kents Hill, Maine. She died in June, 1948. Mr. Hacker has one sister, Beatrice (Hacker) Stanley. Her husband, Colonel O. H. Stanley, a native of Fryeburg, Maine, is now head of the Oliver General Hospital at Augusta, Georgia, where Colonel and Mrs. Stanley make their home.

Edward P. Hacker is a graduate of the Brunswick High School and of the University of Maine, where he was a member of the class of 1920. He served in the United States Navy during World War I. In 1921 Mr. Hacker entered the employ of the Ballard Oil Burning Equipment Company of Boston at Boston and served as a draftsman from that date until 1924, when he became chief engineer of the company. Mr. Hacker remained in Boston until July, 1925. On July 1 of that year, in association with the late Edward A. Tabor he formed Ballard Oil & Equipment Company of Maine, with its main office at Portland. Mr. Tabor became president of the Maine Ballard company and Mr. Hacker treasurer. The company prospered, and in time came to handle air conditioning equipment as well as oil-burning equipment and commercial refrigeration. Upon the death of Mr. Tabor in 1946, Mr. Hacker became president and treasurer, his wife, Mrs. Edward P. Hacker, serving as vice president. A son, Edward Thomas Hacker, is associated with his father in the business. Mr. Hacker is well known in the oil equipment industry. He is past president and a director of the Oil Heat Institute of New England, a director of Oil Heat Institute of America, a director of the Maine Independent Oil



*Edward C. Hacker.*





Marketers, and a director of the Maine Petroleum Industries Committee. He is a member director of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Portland Rotary Club, the Cumberland Club, the Portland Club, and the Woodfords Club. He is a past president of the Cumberland County University of Maine Alumni Association. Mr. Hacker is a member of the Ralph D. Caldwell Post, No. 129, of the American Legion. During World War II he served as chairman of the board of appeals for Group No. 3 in Portland. Fraternally he is affiliated with United Lodge, No. 8, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at Brunswick, St. Paul Royal Arch Chapter, No. 14, at Brunswick, Mount Vernon Council, No. 2, Royal and Select Masters at Brunswick, Portland Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar, Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Lewiston, and is identified with the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite bodies including the Thirty-second degree. He is Past Sovereign Prince, and a member of the Kora Shrine Club, taking a very active part in fraternal affairs in the Portland area. Mr. Hacker is a member of the Williston Congregational Church. Sailing and boating are his favorite recreations.

He married Gertrude M. Shackleton of Methuen, Massachusetts, a graduate of Abbott Academy at Andover, Massachusetts. She was a kindergarten teacher at Manchester, New Hampshire, and at Portland. Mrs. Hacker is very active in civic affairs in Portland. She is a director of the Eunice Frye Home, a member of the Girl Scouts Council, a director of the Women's Literary Union of Portland, past president of the Western Maine Abbot Club and of the Maine Wheelock Club, and a director of the women's auxiliary of the Rotary Club

and of the Portland Club. Mrs. Hacker is vice president of the Ballard Oil & Equipment Company, as was noted above. Edward P. and Gertrude M. (Shackleton) Hacker have a son, Edward Thomas Hacker, born in Portland September 14, 1926. He is a graduate of the Deering High School of Portland and the Maine Maritime Academy and attended the University of Maine. He is now associated with his father in the business of the Ballard Oil & Equipment Company of Maine.

Mrs. Hacker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Shackleton of Methuen, Massachusetts.

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#### **DESMOND, James R.**

Attorney-at-law, James R. Desmond has engaged in a general practice of his profession for a decade. He came to the city immediately after receiving his law degree, and is associated with the well known firm of William B. Mahoney and John B. Tones. A native of Portland, he has from boyhood been interested in its development and opportunities.

Born on June 1, 1913, James R. Desmond is the son of Daniel J. and Helen M. (Carroll) Desmond. His mother passed away on May 6, 1946. The father, born in New Brunswick, Canada, settled in Portland as a young man, and before retiring from business activities, was connected with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. After being graduated from the South Portland High School, James R. Desmond matriculated at Holy Cross College, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1935. For his professional education, he entered the Harvard University School of Law, where he received the degree Bachelor of Laws with the class of 1938. That same year

he was admitted to the bar and initiated a general practice of the law in Portland. He has made a reputation for himself with colleagues in the Portland area, and figures popularly with the younger group of the city's attorneys. As indicated, he is associated with the law firm of Mahoney and Tones, and he is a member of the American Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association, and the Cumberland County Bar Association.

He belongs to the Portland Club, and fraternally is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus. During World War II, he spent two years with the United States Army with the rank of first lieutenant, and served for two years in the Judge Advocate General's Department. He worships in the Roman Catholic faith at St. Joseph's Church.

On June 25, 1941, at Portland, James R. Desmond married Elizabeth M. Carr, daughter of John T. L. and Alice (Walsh) Carr, her mother deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Desmond are the parents of three children: 1. Alice, who was born May 9, 1943. 2. Ellen, who was born April 11, 1944. 3. Daniel, who was born on February 8, 1946.

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#### **DORSEY, F. Donald, M.D.**

In practice in Portland since 1922, Dr. F. Donald Dorsey has made a statewide reputation in medicine and surgery. He is on the staffs of the leading hospitals and is in County Register of Cumberland County.

Born at Mount Airy, Maryland, on June 28, 1895, Dr. Dorsey is the son of Frank G. and Rose M. (MacDonald) Dorsey. His father, who was also a native of Maryland and who for many years was a railway mail clerk, died in 1921. The mother, a native of Leesburg, Virginia, died in 1946. Graduated from

Conway Hall, a preparatory school at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, the future medical man took his preprofessional studies at Dickinson College in that community. He then matriculated at Hahneman Medical College, Philadelphia, and in 1921 was awarded his degree of Doctor of Medicine. A period of internship first at Wilmington Memorial Hospital in Wilmington, Delaware, and second at St. Luke's Hospital, Philadelphia, followed.

In 1922 Dr. Dorsey came to Maine and since that year has been in general practice in the state's metropolis. He is on the staffs of Maine General Hospital, Portland, of the Portland Eye and Ear Hospital, and of Mercy Hospital. Dr. Dorsey belongs to such professional organizations as the American Medical Association, the Maine Medical Society, the Cumberland County Medical Society and the Portland Medical Club. Prominent also in fraternal work, he is a member of the Portland Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Portland Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and such Masonic bodies at Atlantic Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Yates Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and, the holder of the Thirty-second degree in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, is a Noble of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Lewiston. He is also a member of the Royal Order of Jesters and the Portland Yacht Club.

On October 20, 1923, at Wilmington, Delaware, Dr. Dorsey married Elsie E. Brown of that city, the daughter of William and Martha (Taylor) Brown. Mrs. Dorsey is a member of the Longfellow Garden Club of Portland. Dr. and Mrs. Dorsey have a son and daughter: 1. F. Donald Dorsey, Jr., born on May 16, 1928, a graduate of Deering High School







*Dr. Everett S. Winslow*

and Bowdoin College, class of 1949. 2. Ann Louise Dorsey, born on May 17, 1931, graduated from Deering High School in 1949. Dr. Dorsey's home and office are at 52 Deering Street, Portland.

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#### **CARLL, Clarence Edward**

A leading citizen in the Portland area and Southwest Maine in general, Clarence Edward Carll of Gorham and Westbrook is known chiefly as an insurance man, but he is also active in a variety of other fields, including food and banking. He is the owner of the C. E. Carll Insurance Agency at Gorham and a partner in the Pride and Carll Agency at Westbrook. He takes part, on a leadership level, in virtually all important civic ventures in the region.

Mr. Carll was born in Gorham on April 26, 1885, the son of Van Wert and Lizzie C. (Sawyer) Carll. His father, a farmer born at Limington, moved to Gorham with his parents when he was eight years old. The mother was a native of Gray.

Clarence E. Carll was graduated from the Gorham High School in 1904, and soon was active in the business life of that and neighboring communities. Besides the C. E. Carll Insurance Agency and the Pride and Carll Agency, four other business organizations are among his interests. He is president of both Polarzone Foods, Inc., and the Gorham Savings Bank, and is a director of the Westbrook Trust Company and a trustee of the Gorham Savings Bank. He is also a trustee of the Charles Robie Fund and is a former president of the Rotary Club of Westbrook. He belongs to the Masonic order and is a Democrat. He worships in the Congregational Church.

Mr. Carll married Lillian Richardson on October 6, 1909, and they are the par-

ents of Mrs. Arthur D. (Sarah Elizabeth) Andrew, Mrs. James H. (Eleanor) McAdams and Van Eugene Carll. There are also three grandchildren: Sarah Jane Andrew, Michael D. Andrew and Harold Scott McAdams. Mr. and Mrs. Carll reside in Gorham.

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#### **WINSLOW, Everett S., D.O., F.O.S.P.**

Specialist in proctology practicing for the last two decades in Portland, Dr. Everett S. Winslow, has won many honors in his branch of medical practice. He is one of the founders of the Maine Osteopathic Hospital at Portland, and holds many offices in organizations devoted to his specialty. In a total of thirty-five years of practice, he has won the confidence and gratitude of innumerable clients, and stands in the front rank of the osteopathic field in the state of Maine.

Born in Portland of a pioneer family, February 11, 1889, Dr. Winslow is a son of William H. and Achsah (Stevens) Winslow. His father was for many years engaged in the furniture business in Portland. Dr. Winslow obtained his preliminary schooling in the public schools of Portland and graduated from Hebron Academy, after which he attended Bowdoin College. For his professional training, he attended the American College of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Missouri, and served his internship at the Laughlin Hospital there.

In 1913 Dr. Winslow began his practice, returning to his native state of Maine, and establishing an office at Waterville. He continued in that location until 1928, building up a favorable reputation. At the termination of his practice in that city, he took postgraduate work in California, from 1928 to 1930. Since the latter year, Dr. Winslow has



practiced at Portland. He has accomplished much in a professional way, in addition to conducting a successful private practice. He is one of the founders of the Maine Osteopathic Hospital at Portland; is chairman of the board of osteopathic examiners and registration and a Fellow of the American Osteopathic Society of Proctology—indeed, the only resident of the State of Maine to hold the rank of Fellow in that society. Dr. Winslow is also past president of the Maine Osteopathic Association.

Prominent in Masonic activities, Dr. Winslow is a member of the Waterville Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Waterville Chapter, and St. Omer Commandery, also in Waterville. He holds the Thirty-second degree in Scottish Rite Masonry, and is a member of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, meeting at Lewiston.

Dr. Winslow served in the United States Army Medical Corps during World War I, and retains an active interest in veterans' affairs through membership in the American Legion. Among outdoor sports, the doctor has an interest in golf, and is a former State of Maine amateur golf champion. He is also greatly interested in riding horses and is president elect of the Maine Horse Association.

At Kansas City, Missouri, December 27, 1930, Dr. Everett S. Winslow married Martha Howe of Macon, Missouri, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Howe. Dr. and Mrs. Winslow are the parents of two daughters: 1. Jane, who was born in Portland, July 23, 1932 and is now a student at Deering High School. 2. Betty, born March 27, 1936, a student at Deering Junior High School. Dr. Winslow's office is at 142 High Street in Portland.

#### **MOODY, David B.**

For many years a bank examiner on the staff of the Maine State Banking Department, David B. Moody is now secretary-treasurer and a director of the Federal Loan and Building Association in Portland. He is also prominent in the fraternal world and in Portland's civic affairs.

Mr. Moody was born at Swanville, Maine, on December 15, 1904, the son of Albert D. and Blanche (Shorey) Moody, both of whom are also natives of Maine. His father, a retired farmer, was prominent in town affairs, during earlier life. David Moody was graduated from the Belfast High School in 1923 and for the next four years was employed in the Waldo Trust Company at Belfast.

In 1927 he became assistant manager of the Belfast branch of the Merrill Trust Company of Bangor, a position he resigned in 1929 to join the State Banking Department staff. In the first ten years Mr. Moody was an assistant bank examiner. In 1939 he was promoted to bank examiner and this office he held until 1945, when he associated himself with the Federal Loan and Building Association of Portland. The following year he succeeded the late Thomas A. Sanders as secretary-treasurer and at the same time was elected to the board of directors.

Active in the community, Mr. Moody is often found in the forefront of civic activities. He is especially well known in the Masonic order, being a member of such bodies as the Phoenix Lodge No. 24, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Belfast; Corinthian Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, at Belfast; the Portland Council of Princes of Jerusalem; Dunlap Chapter of Rose Croix and the Maine Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, at Portland. He holds the



Thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite. Also, he belongs to Waldo Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Belfast. He worships in Cumberland Center Congregational Church. For recreation he has two hobbies, gardening and amateur photography.

Mr. Moody married Carrie Elizabeth Cornforth, of Knox, Maine, in that community on August 1, 1936. Mrs. Moody is the daughter of the late John E. and Alice (Thompson) Cornforth. Mr. and Mrs. Moody are the parents of twins: David B. Moody, Jr., and Donald E. Moody, who were born at Swanville on June 2, 1937. Mr. Moody's office is at 461 Congress Street, Portland.

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#### **PERKINS, Elliot P.**

Engaged in the practice of law in Portland, Elliot P. Perkins is a member of the law firm of Linnell, Brown, Perkins, Thompson and Hinckley.

Mr. Perkins was born September 10, 1899, at Cornish, Maine, son of Walter P. and Effie B. (Littlefield) Perkins, both of whom are now deceased. The father was a native of Kennebunk, Maine. A graduate of Bowdoin College and of St. Louis Law School of St. Louis, Missouri, he was engaged in the practice of law for more than fifty years in Cornish. At one time he served as county attorney of York County, and he was continuously a leading citizen of Cornish over a long period of years. The mother was born in Eliot, Maine.

Elliot P. Perkins attended schools in his native community of Cornish, where he was graduated from high school in 1919. He entered Bowdoin College, where he was graduated in 1923, as a Bachelor of Arts. For his professional training, he went to the law school of Boston University, where he received the Bachelor of

Laws degree in 1926. In October of that year he was admitted to practice before the Maine state bar and three years later, in 1929, he became a member of the present firm of Linnell, Brown, Perkins, Thompson and Hinckley. This law firm is widely known throughout this region of Maine and New England, handling a general practice covering all branches of law, although Mr. Perkins' work is prominently concerned with probate, real estate and corporation law.

In addition to his private practice with this firm, Mr. Perkins is deeply interested in the general affairs of his profession as is evidenced in his memberships in the Cumberland County Bar Association and the Maine State Bar Association. In the county group he is a member of the general committee. He also takes a lively interest in the general civic and social life of Portland, where he is active in Republican politics and a member of the Superintending School Committee of the City of Portland. He is a member of the Woodfords Club and the Congregational Church.

Elliot P. Perkins married, June 20, 1927, in Portland, Evelyn G. Ross, daughter of Captain Elmer and Lena M. (Young) Ross. Her father was for many years a widely known sea captain. Mrs. Perkins was graduated from the Massachusetts Normal Art School in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Perkins became the parents of the following children: 1. Peter R., born November 16, 1931, graduated from Deering High School in 1949. 2. Payson S., born May 16, 1935.

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#### **BROWN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY**

The Brown Construction Company is a firm of general contractors which has played a large part in the building done

in recent years in the Portland area, and which is responsible for the erecting of a large number of important public edifices. The firm's headquarters are at 562 Congress Street, in the Baxter Block, Portland.

The firm was organized in 1928 for the purpose of specializing in the erection of commercial and institutional buildings and other heavy construction. At that time the officers of the corporation were Edward L. Brown, president, Martin B. Brown, treasurer, and Clark D. Chapman, clerk. These men retained office until the retirement of Mr. Martin B. Brown in 1946. Upon the retirement of Mr. Brown, Douglas C. Evans was elected treasurer by the stockholders. The slate of officers has remained the same since that time.

From 1928 until the beginning of World War II the firm was unusually successful in their chosen field. Upon the entrance of the United States in the war, practically one hundred percent of the firm's efforts was devoted to the war effort for the government. Since the closing of the war, the firm has gradually converted their organization to its original purpose of commercial construction.

A few examples of the firm's work since the close of World War II are as follows: the Portland Municipal Airport Administration Building; F. W. Woolworth Company stores at Portland, Brunswick, Bangor and Lewiston; a junior high school for the town of Falmouth; the Rangeley Free Baptist Church; a patients' building and an attendants' building at the Bangor State Hospital.

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#### **JOHNSON, John R.**

John R. Johnson is president of the Johnson Motor Transport business of Portland, bonded warehousemen and freight truckers with a substantial truck-

ing business throughout New England. The concern also provides refrigerator and heater service. Mr. Johnson, who came to Portland from his native Norway at the age of six and attended the local schools, was for a quarter of a century traffic manager of the Androscoggin Pulp Company and in the meantime built up his own transportation business, which he started in 1928. His six sons are associated with him.

He was born in March, 1877, in Nam-sos, Norway, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Johnson. His father was a seafaring man and sailed all over the world. John R. Johnson came to the United States when he was six years old, the family settling at Portland. He attended the Portland public schools. For thirteen years he worked for the Maine Central Railroad as freight claim investigator, and for twenty-five years he was traffic manager of the Androscoggin Pulp Company. In the meantime he established his own transportation business in Portland, and as his six sons grew up they became associated with him in this business, which grew to considerable proportions. Its main office is at 75-81 St. John Street, Portland, with branch offices at Somerville, Massachusetts, and Bangor, Maine. A licensed interstate and contract carrier, with all goods insured in transit and refrigerated and heater service, the Johnson Motor Transport furnishes superior motor-truck service to any point in New England. Mr. Johnson is also a retail dealer in Diamond T trucks for the Portland district. He makes his home in South Windham and is a member and past president of the Windham Kiwanis Club and otherwise active in local affairs. Mr. Johnson served the Town of Gorham as a member of the board of selectmen for three years. He





John R. Johnson





is affiliated fraternally with Harmony Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Gorham.

John R. Johnson married (first) Mary Bartlett of Portland, now deceased. To this union were born three sons, Frederick B., Norman Douglas, and John R., Jr., all born in Portland. He married (second) Irene Glynn of Springfield, and to this union were also born three sons: Paul M., Everett G., and Vincent, all born in Gorham and educated in the Gorham elementary and high schools. All three of these sons served in the Pacific theater during World War II, Paul M. as a lieutenant in the United States Army Air Corps, Everett with the Airborne Engineers, and Vincent in the United States Navy. All six of Mr. Johnson's sons are now associated with him in the transportation business. He now has seven grandchildren.

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#### **EVELETH, True Ballentine, D.O.**

Dr. Eveleth has enjoyed a varied career, having succeeded in commercial as well as professional pursuits. Standing high among his colleagues in his profession, Dr. Eveleth has served as medical director of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine, and has rendered distinguished service to his country in World War II, attaining the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Dr. Eveleth is a native of the Pine Tree State, born in Portland April 28, 1904. He is a son of Samuel T. and Annie (Bailey) Eveleth, the Baileys being of an old Portland family. The doctor received his secondary education at Deering High School in Portland, and during his years there developed an interest in football, which continued, and terminated at a later date in his professional status as a football player.

From 1922 to 1924, he was associated

with the Eveleth Laundry Company of Portland, which was owned by his father, Samuel T. Eveleth. In 1924 he entered another commercial venture: the F. O. Bailey Carriage Company, a firm which had been founded by his maternal grandfather. He felt called to the profession of osteopathic medicine, however, and beginning in 1931 prepared himself for his future career by taking a postgraduate course of a preparatory nature at Bridgton Academy, Bridgton, Maine. In 1937, True Ballentine Eveleth graduated with the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy from the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, located at Kirksville, Missouri. He served his internship there, before returning East and establishing practice in his native state of Maine.

In addition to conducting a successful private practice upon osteopathic principles, at Portland, Dr. Eveleth has assumed other responsibilities of a professional and civic nature which accord well with his abilities and professional qualifications. He was medical director of the Osteopathic Hospital of the state of Maine, situated at Portland, from 1944 to 1946, and was a member of the board of directors of the same hospital from 1943 to 1947. Dr. Eveleth is currently a director of the Maine Osteopathic Association, one of the five directors in the state. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge, the Woodfords Club, the Executives Club, the Kiwanis Club and the Caldwell Post of the American Legion, and attends the Woodfords Congregational Church.

Dr. Eveleth's professional practice in Portland dates from 1937, and he maintains offices at 493 Stevens Avenue in Portland. His ability has marked him as a professional leader of his community,

and he holds both the respect of his colleagues, and the confidence of his many clients.

In 1923 Dr. True Ballentine Eveleth enlisted in the Maine National Guard, and held the rank of captain in Battery A of the 240th Coast Artillery. During World War II, when that unit was mobilized and entered the Federal service, he went into active service until 1943. He was then given his discharge with the rank of lieutenant colonel. He has maintained an interest in veterans' affairs and the American Legion. Dr. Eveleth's favorite outdoor recreation, to balance the responsibilities of professional life, is golf.

At Portland, Maine, October 30, 1929, Dr. True Ballentine Eveleth married Dorothy Leland, who graduated as a registered nurse at the Maine General Hospital. They make their home during the winters in Portland, and reside during the summer months on Peebles Avenue, Cape Elizabeth.

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#### **LIBBY, Herman B.**

The people of Southwestern Maine know Herman B. Libby of Portland as an enterprising and active citizen who has given leadership in the business world, in civic affairs and in fraternal and other organizational circles. A former member of the Superintending School Committee of the City of Portland, he is now serving on the Portland City Council, of which he has twice been chairman. He is active in various business firms, including Turner, Barker and Company, which is engaged in general insurance, in the Cumberland Savings and Loan Association of Portland, the Falmouth Hotel, Inc., of Portland, and the Universal Laundry, Inc., of Portland. In his organizational activities, Mr. Libby is well known in

Masonic and Lions organizations as well as others.

He was born in Portland on March 21, 1890, the son of R. Cutler Libby and Amelia F. (Brewer) Libby. His father, also a native of Portland, was one of the original members of the insurance firm of Turner, Barker and Company. He died on January 29, 1934. The mother, a native of Freeport, Maine, died in February, 1933.

Herman B. Libby was educated in Portland's elementary and high schools and at Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, New York, from which he was graduated in 1912. That year he entered the employ of the Atlantic Terra Cotta Company of New York City as a draftsman. He remained with this concern until 1915, when he returned to Portland to become an engineer for the Moulton Engineering Corporation. In 1918 he resigned this position to form a partnership with the late Walter H. Webster. Their firm, known as Webster and Libby, served as consulting and designing engineers until 1934. Since that year, Mr. Libby has been a partner in Turner, Barker and Company, in association with Charles D. Boyd. This concern, with offices at 40 Exchange Street, Portland, represents the Great American Insurance Company of New York, a member of the Great American Group. Mr. Libby is also a member of the board of directors of the Cumberland Savings and Loan Association; treasurer and a director of the Falmouth Hotel, Inc.; and vice president and treasurer of the Universal Laundry, Inc.

He served on the Superintending School Committee from 1931 through 1940 and since 1940 has been on the Portland City Council. In 1943 and again in 1947 he was chairman of that governing group. He is a former president of



the Lions Club of Portland, an organization in which he continues influential, and is active also in the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Woodfords Club of Portland, and the following Masonic bodies: Portland Lodge No. 1, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Mount Vernon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; St. Albans Commandery, No. 8, Knights Templar, and all bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite up to and including the Thirty-second degree—the Yates Lodge of Perfection, the Portland Council Princes of Jerusalem, Dunlap Chapter of Rose Croix and the Maine Consistory. His church is the St. Lawrence Congregational of Portland.

On March 15, 1948, at Boston, Massachusetts, Mr. Libby married Jessie MacLeod of North Sidney, Nova Scotia, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh MacLeod. By a previous marriage Mr. Libby is the father of two children: Priscilla, now Mrs. Wilfred J. Hill, who was born in Portland on September 6, 1917, and Olive B. Libby, who was born in Portland on June 26, 1928. Mrs. Hill is a graduate of Portland High School. She and her husband, also a native of Portland, reside in Hawthorne, California, with their four children, Peter, Elliott, Bonnie Jean and Olive Hill. Olive Libby, a graduate of Portland High School, was a student at Burdett College, Boston, in 1949.

#### **NOYES, Herbert W.**

As president and treasurer of the C. E. Noyes Company, Herbert W. Noyes is extensively engaged in the distribution of "General" tires in the state of Maine.

Mr. Noyes was born January 19, 1901, at Vinalhaven, Maine, son of Howard V. and Effie A. (Gray) Noyes. His father was engaged in the tire business until his

death in 1943. Both parents were natives of Vinalhaven.

Schools of that community furnished Herbert W. Noyes' early education, and he attended Vinalhaven High School. He then entered the firm with which he is now connected and proceeded to make his distinctive contribution to its growth and development. The C. E. Noyes Company was established in 1916 by his brother, the late Chaney E. Noyes, who died in 1922, at the age of twenty-seven years. After the brother's death, Herbert W. Noyes and his father continued the business, which was initially located at Preble Street, Portland. In 1929 the company purchased the present site, on which they erected the present Noyes building in 1937. Since his father's death in 1943, Herbert Noyes has operated the C. E. Noyes Company alone.

In addition, he is active in numerous social and civic affairs, being a member of the Portland Club, the Portland Country Club, the Woodfords Club, the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and the Free and Accepted Masons. In the Masonic order Mr. Noyes is affiliated with Portland Lodge, Mount Vernon Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, St. Albans Commandery of Knights Templar and Scottish Rite bodies in which he holds the Thirty-second degree. Although most of his other fraternal affiliations are in Portland, he is connected with Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Lewiston. He attends West Falmouth Baptist Church. In his spare time he enjoys fishing and golf.

Herbert W. Noyes married, December 7, 1947, at Hampton, New Hampshire, Ruth E. Nyberg, of Auburn, Maine, daughter of Theodore and Emily (Erickson) Nyberg. Mr. Noyes has two children of an earlier marriage: 1. Herbert

Walker, Jr., born November 11, 1927, in Portland, graduated from Deering High School, attended the University of Maine and is now associated with his father in operating the C. E. Noyes Company. 2. Greta E., born November 1, 1931, in Portland, attended Deering High School here, then entered the Mary Burnham Girls' School, Northampton, Massachusetts.

### **BOWKER, Dana**

As State Senator and prominent Maine business executive, the Honorable Dana Bowker is one of Portland's leading citizens. Senator Bowker is president and owner of the Columbia Hotel Company, president and owner of the C. M. Bowker Company, a general insurance business which was established in Portland by his father more than a half century ago, and treasurer of the People's Laundry Company, all of the above being Portland concerns. He is also vice president of the Sir Steak Machine Company of Acton, Massachusetts. He is active in civic affairs in Portland, and has served in the Maine Legislature since 1943, first as member of the House of Representatives and now as State Senator.

Dana Bowker was born in Portland December 26, 1911, the son of the late Clarence M. and Myrtie I. (Hussey) Bowker. The Bowkers are a pioneer Maine family, and the Bowker shipyards at Phippsburg play a prominent part in early records of the development of the state. The Hussey family are well-to-do potato growers at Presque Isle, Maine. Clarence M. Bowker, who founded a general insurance business in Portland in 1898 under the name of the C. M. Bowker Company, was active in this business until his death in 1933. His widow died in 1946.

Dana Bowker is a graduate of Deering

High School in Portland and of the New York Military Academy. Prior to taking over his father's insurance business, he spent a year with the Firemen's Fund Insurance Company at Boston and a year with the Berkshire Fire Insurance Company at Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Since his father's death in 1933, he has been president and owner of the C. M. Bowker Company and has conducted a general insurance business that is one of the best known in the state. Mr. Bowker is also president and owner of the Columbia Hotel Company, and among his other business interests are the People's Laundry Company, of which he is treasurer, and the Sir Steak Machine Company of Acton, Massachusetts, of which he is vice president.

A Republican, Mr. Bowker was elected to the Maine House of Representatives for 1943-45, 1945-47 and 1947-49, and while a member of this body served as acting chairman of the budget committee, House chairman of the insurance committee, and a member of the appropriations, public grounds and buildings and University of Maine committees. He was elected to the office of State Senator for the term beginning in 1949. He has been active in Republican party councils and served for four years as a member of the Republican city committee and four years as a member of the Cumberland County Republican committee. Senator Bowker is a past president of the Mutual Insurance Agents of New England. He is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the State Chamber of Commerce, the Portland Club, Portland Yacht Club, Portland Country Club, Reciprocity Club, of which he was formerly president, and the Cumberland County Fish and Game Association. He has been active in Community Chest and Red





*Dana R. Boucher*





Cross drives. He and his wife are members of the Woodfords Congregational Church.

On April 23, 1937 he married Katherine Clark of South Portland, the daughter of William A. and Marion (Sawyer) Clark of South West Harbor, Maine.

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**FARLEY, Louis R., O.D.**

Chief of the surgical staff of the Osteopathic Hospital of Portland, Dr. Louis R. Farley has been identified with osteopathic practice in Portland for over ten years. He holds many memberships in professional societies, and in local organizations, particularly of a fraternal nature; and both as citizen and as representative of his profession, Portland has found in Dr. Farley an active mind and a willing hand.

He is a native of Syracuse, New York, born October 3, 1907, and a son of Riley M. and Beulah (Moore) Farley. His father was a native of Oswego County, New York, and conducted practice as an osteopathic physician in Syracuse, and there he met and married Beulah Moore, a native of East Syracuse. The elder Dr. Farley, who is a graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathy, Kirksville, Missouri, in the class of 1906, is still practicing in Syracuse. His son received his public grade and high school education there, graduating from Central High School in Syracuse. He also pursued his advanced education in his native city, graduating from Syracuse University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1929. In preparation for his professional career, having decided to follow in his father's footsteps, he entered the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy, class of 1933, and after graduation at that institution, interned at the Bashline-Rossman Hospital and Clinic at Groves City, Penn-

sylvania from 1933 to 1936, these years including the period of both his internship and surgical residency.

Dr. Farley first established practice in Montrose, Michigan, where he remained from 1936 to 1938. From January, 1939, dates his period of practice at Portland. His reputation is secure and his practice a growing one. Dr. Farley's offices are situated at 5 Deering Avenue, where he practices independently. He is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons, and is certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Surgery. Dr. Farley is also a member of the National and the State of Maine Osteopathic associations.

Locally, he is a member of the Woodfords Club of Portland, and is fraternally affiliated with Montrose Lodge, Montrose, Michigan, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and has advanced in his Masonic status through all bodies up to and including the Thirty-second degree. Dr. Farley is a member of Kora Temple at Lewiston of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and of the Portland Shrine Club. He is also a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity, and of the Maine Publicity Bureau. In his religious allegiance, Dr. Farley is connected with the Woodfords Congregational Church in Portland. His favorite outdoor sports are hunting, fishing and skiing.

At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, April 15, 1933, Dr. Louis R. Farley married Emily J. Puder of Philadelphia, daughter of Charles C. and Irene Puder. To Dr. and Mrs. Farley have been born two children: 1. Carol, born May 8, 1936 at Grove City, Pennsylvania. 2. Janet, born November 13, 1938, at Saginaw, Michigan. The family now make their home at 112 Parsons Road in Portland.

**HETZLER, Dr. C. Robb**

Osteopathic surgeon at Portland and a member of the staff of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine, Dr. Hetzler was born in Rochester, Pennsylvania, May 23, 1915, the son of Herman T. and Matilda H. (Ruth) Hetzler. Dr. Hetzler's father was a government inspector but is now retired. Both parents are natives of Rochester, Pennsylvania.

C. Robb Hetzler graduated from the Rochester High School and took his pre-medical work at Syracuse University. He then entered the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and in 1941 was graduated from this institution with the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy. From 1941 to 1942 Dr. Hetzler interned at the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine in Portland, and from 1942 to 1945 he was resident surgeon at the same hospital. Since then he has practiced in Portland and is now a member of the hospital staff at the same hospital in which he served as intern and resident surgeon. He is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons. Fraternally Dr. Hetzler is affiliated with Hiram Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in South Portland, and Portland Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, holding the Thirty-second degree in the Masonic order and being identified with Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine and the Portland Shrine Club. Dr. Hetzler's favorite recreations are hunting, golf, and all kinds of sports.

On April 3, 1943 at Westbrook Dr. Hetzler was married to Glennis Flint of West Buxton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Flint. Mrs. Hetzler is a graduate of Gorham State Teachers College at Gorham, Maine. Dr. and Mrs. Hetzler are the parents of two children: 1. G.

Robb Hetzler, born in Portland August 1, 1944. 2. Judy Ann Hetzler, born in Portland October 3, 1946.

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**THE THOMAS P. BEALS  
FURNITURE COMPANY**

Foremost plant in the state in the manufacture of furniture, The Thomas P. Beals Furniture Company specializing in dining room and bedroom furniture, was founded in 1867 by Thomas P. Beals. When the original Thomas P. Beals Furniture Company went into receivership in 1924, it was purchased by Oakley C. Curtis, grandfather of the two Curtis brothers, Edgar A. Curtis, Jr. and Oakley C. Curtis, who today conduct the business as president and treasurer respectively. The original Oakley C. Curtis, after purchasing the stock of this fine old furniture manufacturing company, made his son, Edgar A. Curtis, Sr., president and treasurer of the concern, which he remained until his death in 1946. Since that time his sons, Edgar A. Curtis, Jr., and Oakley C. Curtis have succeeded to the offices of president and treasurer respectively. Daniel J. Sullivan, who has been associated with the company since 1902, is vice president and manager. The company maintains factories, office and salesroom at Deering Junction, its Portland headquarters being at 58 Morrill Street. It has a salesroom on East 32nd Street, New York City.

Edgar A. Curtis, Jr., president of the Thomas P. Beals Furniture Company, was born in Portland September 30, 1918, the son of Edgar A. and Beatrice (Palmer) Curtis. He graduated from Portland High School and the Hackley School at Tarrytown, after which he entered Dartmouth College. From this institution he graduated in 1940 with the degree







*Donald Della Valle*

of Bachelor of Arts. In May, 1941 Mr. Curtis enlisted as a flying cadet in the United States Army Air Force and received his commission as a second lieutenant. He served throughout World War II, receiving his discharge in December, 1945. At the end of 1945 he entered the family business and the following year, upon the death of his father, became president of the concern. Edgar A. Curtis, Jr., is a member of the Portland Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Cumberland Club and the Portland Yacht Club. He and his wife attend the Yarmouth Congregational Church.

In January, 1942 he married Elizabeth Killeren of South Portland, and they have two children: 1. Edgar A. Curtis, III, born August 18, 1944 in Portland. 2. Ann Palmer Curtis, born March 5, 1948 in Portland.

Oakley C. Curtis, treasurer of the Thomas P. Beals Furniture Company, was born in Portland in May, 1921, son of the late Edgar A. and Beatrice (Palmer) Curtis. Like his brother, he is a graduate of Portland High School and the Hackley School at Tarrytown, New York, and of Dartmouth College, class of 1943. He was in his sophomore year when he enlisted in the United States Army Air Force, and during World War II he served in the European theater, holding the rank of sergeant. He was discharged from the service in November, 1945 and became associated with the family furniture-manufacturing business as a millwright assistant. Upon the death of his father the following year, he became treasurer of the company in June, 1946. He is a member of the Portland Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Portland Yacht Club and the Portland Country Club.

Oakley C. Curtis was married in April,

1946, at Portland to Anna Walsh of London, England, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Walsh of London.

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#### **VALLE, Donald Della**

Owner of Valle's, Portland's famous steakhouse, on Forest Avenue in the heart of Woodfords Square, and also owner of Elder's Cafe in Portland and of Valle's Inn, Inc., of Scarborough, Donald Della Valle was born in Italy November 10, 1907, the son of Luigi D. and Mary (Aceto) Valle. His father was a steam driller by trade. He came to Portland in 1909 and was killed at work in 1915 during the construction of the Portland-Yarmouth Road.

Donald Della Valle came to Portland in 1913 at the age of six, his father having preceded the family to the United States by three or four years. Donald D. Valle attended the Portland public schools and graduated from Portland High School. He also graduated from Hebron Academy and attended the University of Maine, where he played football.

Mr. Valle founded Valle's Steak House in 1933 and has made an enviable reputation for serving fine Western steaks at a reasonable price. Many prominent Maine people, many travelers and summer vacationists, as well as Portland's business and professional men and their families are among its regular customers. In April, 1940 Mr. Valle purchased Valle's Inn at Scarborough, and in June, 1948 he purchased Elder's Cafe in Portland. He employs about one hundred and twenty-five persons. Mr. Valle is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and of the Maine Publicity Bureau. He and his family attend St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church.

In Portland, July, 1930, Donald Della



Valle was married to Zula Crone of Danforth, Maine, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Crone. Mr. and Mrs. Valle have two children: 1. Richard D. Valle, born in Portland May 2, 1931, a student at Deering High School. 2. Judith Ann, born in Portland in January, 1937.

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**FILES, Ernest Woodbury, M.D.,  
F.A.C.S.**

Through his practice as a surgeon, Dr. Ernest Woodbury Files has won distinction in Portland and Maine. He long has been esteemed by colleagues and clients as a specialist in gynecology, and is especially well known for his extended labors as Chief of Gynecological Services, Maine General Hospital. A native of Maine, he was born at Gorham, on September 24, 1881, son of Frank A. and Cornelia (Watson) Files, members of old New England families.

Reared on his father's farm, the future surgeon decided, after being graduated from the Gorham High School, that he would enter a profession. He entered Bowdoin College, and was graduated with the class of 1902, a Bachelor of Arts. Three years later he received the Doctor of Medicine degree from the Maine Medical School, and after being an intern at the Maine General Hospital, he established himself in the practice of his profession in 1906, at Portland. As is generally known, he has been from the first a surgeon, who more and more became a specialist in gynecology.

From 1928 to 1945, Dr. Files was Chief of Gynecological Services of the Maine General Hospital, at Portland. A student of his profession and the progress made in his specialties, he is a member of the American Medical Association, the Maine State Medical Association, Cumberland

County Medical Society, and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. His clubs include the Portland Medical and the Portland Club. A Republican in politics, he never has sought public office, being interested in civic affairs without regard to the party affiliations of nominees. He has participated in numerous community affairs and movements, and is liberal in his contributions to charitable and humanitarian organizations. He is a member of the Williston Congregational Church. Like many another professional man, Dr. Files never has lost a love of the soil, and has a head of a hundred registered Jersey cattle on the family estate of Gorham.

On June 19, 1912, at Westbrook, Maine, Dr. Ernest Woodbury Files married Mabel B. Haskell. Mrs. Files is actively interested in community affairs, as the First Commissioner of the Girl Scouts, Portland Council. They are the parents of a daughter: Barbara Ellen, who was educated at Wellesley College (graduate, Bachelor of Arts degree, 1935), the Katharine Gibbs School, at Boston, and the University of New Hampshire. She entered the Portland Law School, where she was graduated with the class of 1940, a Bachelor of Laws, cum laude. A member of the Cumberland County bar, she also has entered public affairs, and was chairman of the Maine Cancer Drive, 1947-48.

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**McFADDEN, Vernon Paul**

In the state of Maine, the processing of sea foods constitutes a major industry, and in this industry the William Underwood Company is a pioneer. The originator of canned foods, its history dates from 1817, and the firm has become nationally known, particularly for such products as meats and deviled ham. Its

main plant and offices are in Watertown, Massachusetts; but the center of its sea foods canning activities is at Jonesport, Maine, and of its plant there, Vernon Paul McFadden has since 1940 been the general manager. Mr. McFadden has been identified with the sea foods industry for well over twenty years, and has held responsible positions in the state and federal governments; so that he came to his position with the William Underwood Company with thorough preparation for his administrative tasks.

Mr. McFadden is a native of Truscott, Maine, born July 31, 1904. His parents were Abner and Carrie (Tucker) McFadden, the former having passed away in 1944. Vernon Paul McFadden graduated from Lubec High School, and entered the University of Maine, from which he graduated with the class of 1926. In that year he accepted a post with the United States government, Bureau of Entomology, which transferred him to New York City; but this connection was of short duration, for he returned to Lubec in the same year and there became engaged in the fishing business, dealing particularly in lobsters and herring. He remained until 1935, in that year accepting a post with the Department of Agriculture of the State of Maine.

After five years with the Department of Agriculture he came to Jonesport as general plant manager for the William Underwood Company. This plant specializes in the canning of baked sardines, clam chowder and clam juice, and gives employment to between one hundred and sixty-five and one hundred and seventy persons. The Jonesport plant of this company was established in 1870. The company has earned a sound reputation during its more than one hundred and thirty years of existence, and its products

are popular with shoppers in markets throughout the United States.

Mr. McFadden is a member of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. He is very active in all community affairs, and was a leader in World War II drives in the sale of bonds and collection of salvage. A Republican in his politics, he has for three years been selectman for the town of Lubec, and is a member of the school district of Jonesport.

Fraternally, Mr. McFadden is a member of the Blue Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and he belongs also to the Knights of Pythias. He is past master and deputy of the local grange of the Patrons of Husbandry. He is a member of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, and in his religious affiliation is a Congregationalist.

In November, 1930, Vernon Paul McFadden married, in Lubec, Maine, Clara Blanche of that town, daughter of Burton and Henrietta Blanche. Mr. and Mrs. McFadden are the parents of a daughter, Marie, now attending Jonesport High School where she is a member of the class of 1949. The family make their home at West Jonesport.

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#### **WHELPLEY, Wesley L.**

Bringing to his career of public service a variety of business managerial experience, Wesley L. Whelpley has made a notable contribution to his district of Maine in his capacity as rent director for the Portland and Bangor Defense Rental Areas. He has his offices in Portland and resides in Cape Elizabeth.

Mr. Whelpley was born July 17, 1879, in East Boston, Massachusetts. He attended schools in East Boston, where he completed his high school studies before beginning his career with the Standard Oil Company of New York. Joining that



organization in its East Boston works in 1897, he was first of all a clerk, continuing thereafter in different clerical positions until he was appointed manager of the plant at Dorchester, Massachusetts. In 1911 he was named district manager of the North Andover district, embracing a part of Massachusetts and a part of New Hampshire. In 1920 he was transferred to Portland with the title of eastern manager, having charge of the entire Maine area. In 1932 he returned to Boston to be operating manager of the New England division of Standard Oil, retiring from that post on January 1, 1938, and returning to Portland.

When the United States entered the second World War, and erected its rationing machinery for the duration of that conflict, Mr. Whelpley was made the original chairman of the Portland War Pricing and Rationing Board. After organization of that body had been completed and several months had elapsed, Rent Control was installed and Mr. Whelpley was transferred to the Rent Division of the Office of Price Administration as Rent Director. Reorganization of the Rent Division was made with Mr. Whelpley as Rent Executive for the entire State of Maine.

Mr. Whelpley also maintains a lively interest in Portland business life as a director of the Casco Bank and Trust Company and the Federal Loan and Building Association. Active as well in civic affairs, he belongs to the Portland Club, the Portland Country Club, the Settlers Club and the Round Table Club, and is a past president of the Portland Rotary Club. He is a member of the advisory board of the Salvation Army in this area.

In the Free and Accepted Masons, Mr. Whelpley is affiliated with Phoenicia

Lodge in Lawrence, Massachusetts, Greenleaf Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Portland Commandery of Knights Templar, different Scottish Rite bodies (in which he holds the Thirty-second degree), and Kora Temple (Lewiston) of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Wesley L. Whelpley married Olive A. Smith, of Chelsea, Massachusetts, daughter of Edmund and Millie C. (Howard) Smith, at Methuen, Massachusetts. They have one daughter, Dorothy M. Whelpley, born November 17, 1914, at Winthrop, Massachusetts, graduated from Deering High School in Portland and Washington College of Law in Washington, D. C., where she received the degree of Bachelor of Laws; she became the wife of William M. Malone, of Denison, Texas, likewise a graduate of Washington College of Law. Mr. Malone practices law in Denison, Texas, where he is city solicitor. During World War II, he was a regional director of the Securities and Exchange Commission with offices at Baltimore, Maryland. The Malones are the parents of two children, William and Lee Malone.

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#### **JORDAN, Fred T.**

For years one of the leaders in the insurance business in New England, Fred T. Jordan has since 1939 been manager of the Portland agency of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, with offices at 189 Federal Street. He is one of the outstanding figures in Maine in health and welfare work, in veterans' activities and in the educational and athletic world. He is also prominent in Portland and State Chamber of Commerce activities, and in the programs of the Portland Community Chest and the Portland Chapter of the American Red Cross.





Fred W. Jordan.



Mr. Jordan was born in Kingfield, Franklin County, on November 8, 1898, the son of J. Willis Jordan and Jennie T. (Thompson) Jordan, both now residents of Farmington, Maine. The father, now retired, once operated hotels at Kingfield, Farmington and Livermore Falls.

Fred T. Jordan began his education at Kingfield. His family moved to Farmington in 1911 and he continued his education in that community, being graduated from the Farmington High School in 1916. Six years later he took the degree of Bachelor of Science at the University of Maine. At the university he played football and was a tackle on the varsity team. For six years after completing his education Mr. Jordan served as a teacher of mathematics and athletic coach in, first, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and then in the Portland High School. He is still well known in the educational world and retains his interest in programs aimed at improving school systems and scholarship as well as in athletics. For many years he served as an official in football and baseball games, continuing long after he left his activities as teacher and coach.

In 1928 Mr. Jordan entered the insurance business. His first association was with the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut. For two years he was in the Portland office, and then in 1930 he was transferred to the Boston office, where he was subsequently promoted to assistant manager. In 1934, he resigned from Travelers to become associated with the Connecticut General Insurance Company, for which he served until 1936 as assistant manager at Philadelphia. From 1936 to 1939 he was manager of Connecticut General at Buffalo, and in 1939 he returned to Portland to become manager of the Union Mutual

Life Insurance Company agency there, his present affiliation.

Mr. Jordan has become a noteworthy figure in Maine through his many activities and his contribution to public welfare. He was president of the Portland Club in 1947, 1948 and 1949 and is a former president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, which he is currently serving as a member of the board of directors. Also, he is on the executive committee of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce. In World War II, Mr. Jordan served as general chairman of the Portland Community-War Chest campaigns and he has continued active in the Portland Community Chest. He serves on the board of directors of the Portland Chapter, American Red Cross, and was vice commander of the Caldwell Post of the American Legion in Portland. His activity in the post derives from his service with the Student Army Training Corps at the University of Maine and Camp Lee, Virginia, in World War I. Mr. Jordan is also a member of the Kiwanis Club of Portland, the Cumberland Club of Portland and is a former president of the Portland Teachers Association. His church is the Williston Congregational. For recreation he likes fishing.

In Portland on August 20, 1921, Mr. Jordan married Avis M. Strout of Portland, the daughter of Alonzo T. and Viola (Copperthwaite) Strout. Mrs. Jordan was educated at the University of Maine. There are three children: 1. Celia M. Jordan, now Mrs. Ernest Adams, born in Portland on June 9, 1922. 2. Preston L. Jordan, born in Portland on July 26, 1924. 3. Richard L. Jordan, born in Buffalo, New York on March 26, 1938. Mrs. Adams, the daughter, was graduated from the South Portland High School and from Westbrook Junior College in



Portland. She and her husband are the parents of a daughter, Dianne Adams, who was born in 1947. Mr. Adams served with the United States Army in the European theater in World War II, attaining the rating of technical sergeant. He was in the service from 1942 to 1946. Preston L. Jordan was graduated from South Portland High School and the University of Connecticut at Storrs. He was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science by the university in 1948. He was also in the Army in World War II, serving from 1943 to 1946. In the European theater for some time, he also was made a technical sergeant. He married Marsha DeLinden of South Portland in July, 1944, and they are the parents of Judith, Susan and Richard Jordan, all born in Portland. Fred Jordan's youngest child, Richard L. Jordan, is now (1949) a student at South Portland Grammar School.

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#### **RUSSO, Ciro A.**

Active in the manufacturing of soft drinks and the distribution of beer and ale in Cumberland and York counties, Ciro A. Russo is treasurer of the Dirigo Beverage Company, Inc., of Portland.

Mr. Russo was born August 15, 1898, in Italy, son of Mose and Sarah (Chiauzzi) Russo. His father was a carpenter for many years until his death, July 28, 1947. The mother died on December 22, 1939.

Ciro A. Russo served in the Italian Army as a staff sergeant during World War I. He attended Benevento College in his native land, and in the early 1920s came to America. Establishing himself in Portland as a young man, he began his apprenticeship in the soft drink manufacturing business here in 1925. Subsequently he became associated with his step-brother, Vito Caggiano, with whom

he established the present Dirigo Beverage Company, Inc., in 1926. They have continued their work together since that time, Mr. Caggiano as president and Mr. Russo as treasurer of the organization.

In addition, Mr. Russo is a member of several of the leading business organizations in Maine, including the Maine Publicity Bureau and the Portland Chamber of Commerce. He belongs to the Roman Catholic Church of St. Peter and St. Joseph, Portland. In spare time he enjoys fishing, boating and outdoor life.

Ciro A. Russo married, October 20, 1926, in Portland, Josephine M. Russo, daughter of the late Leonard Russo of Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Russo became the parents of the following children: 1. Mose, born August 21, 1927, attended Deering High School, where he was in his fourth year at the time when he joined the United States Naval Reserve Corps during World War II. After being honorably discharged, he became a student at Hebron Academy, then entered the University of Maine. 2. Ciro A., Jr., born April 13, 1930, in Portland, attended local schools and Deering High School, was graduated from Hebron Academy, then entered Tufts College, in preparation for his law studies, which he plans to take at Harvard University. 3. Leonard V., born September 8, 1932, in Portland, attended Lincoln Junior High School and Hebron Academy. 4. Gerardo P., born August 10, 1942, in Portland, now a student at the Clifton Public Schools.

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#### **ARMSTRONG, Richard H., II**

The career of Richard H. Armstrong, II, attorney, of Portland, is studded with a variety of accomplishments. For over two decades he has practiced successfully in Biddeford and Portland; has ably filled a number of public offices ranging from

city solicitor and assistant attorney general to enforcement attorney; has taught law, and become the president of Portland University; is an author with several books on jurisprudence to his credit; has served on the staff of the Governor of Georgia, with the rank of lieutenant colonel; yet has found time to assume a role of leadership in professional, civic and social organizations.

Mr. Armstrong was born in Biddeford on March 26, 1903. His father, John H. Armstrong, was a textile engineer, associated for many years with the Saco-Lowell Shops. He worked his way up from machinist's helper to consulting and experimental engineer on cotton mill machinery. Together with Herbert I. Libby, John H. Armstrong studied with International Correspondence Schools, becoming an authority before his death. His wife was the former Abbie Moore.

Richard H. Armstrong attended Biddeford High School, from which he graduated in 1920. He then entered Mercer University, and there completed his law studies, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1924. The next year he took the degree of Bachelor of Science at Portland University. In 1930 Mr. Armstrong received two advanced degrees: that of Doctor of Philosophy from McKinley-Roosevelt College, and that of Master of Laws from the same institution, much of the graduate work leading to these degrees being completed by correspondence.

Mr. Armstrong's preprofessional career began in 1917, which was prior to his graduation from high school. From that year until 1924, he was a trap drummer with dance and theater bands. In 1924, on completion of his legal courses, he accepted a connection as lawyer and writer with the Michie Publishing Com-

pany of Charlottesville, Virginia, which he retained until 1927. In that year began Mr. Armstrong's practice as an attorney. Locating in Biddeford, his native place, he became a member of the firm of Haley and Armstrong, continuing practice in this association until 1933, when the firm of Armstrong and Spill was formed. This firm, which also maintained offices in Biddeford, retained Mr. Armstrong as its senior partner until 1947, when he established practice in Portland, forming the firm of Armstrong, Wheeler and Pomeroy, with offices at 193 Middle Street. In addition to his private practice of the law, Mr. Armstrong is an official in several local concerns, being a director of the Pioneer Insurance Company, Allied Industries, and the Guarantee Reserve Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Armstrong's career in public office began when he was elected city solicitor of Saco, Maine, in 1929. He filled this office again during 1944-1945. In the meantime, he had occupied the office of assistant attorney general of the state of Maine, during 1936-1937; was chief district enforcement attorney of the Office of Price Administration of the state of Maine from 1943 to 1946; and regional enforcement attorney of the Office of Price Administration in Boston during 1946-1947. In line with his political activities, he has served as trustee of the York Republican Club. He was a member of the staff of Governor Arnall of Georgia in 1945, holding the rank of lieutenant colonel; and compiled a creditable civilian wartime record as associate advisor of York Draft Board No. 1; as chief observer, aircraft warning system, United States Army; as special prosecutor for the Federal Government; and as chairman of the War Savings Committee and of the War Chest.



In the field of education, Mr. Armstrong has progressed to a place of prominence, having been dean, and professor of public and criminal law, at the Portland University Law School, and president of Portland University. He is the author of two books: "Florida Chancery Jurisprudence," published in 1927; and "Index to Maine Statutes," which was first published in 1930 and was reissued in 1944. He has also contributed extensively to legal magazines, and is the author of "Criminal Law Doctrines," published in 1948.

Mr. Armstrong is an active fraternalist, being a member of the lodges of both the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and of the Free and Accepted Masons. He also belongs to the Kiwanis Club of Biddeford. Professionally, he is affiliated with the American, the Maine and the county bar associations. He belongs also to Psi Chi fraternity, Phi Delta Literary Society, and the Adano Society. He is a member of the University of Virginia Country Club, the Biddeford and Saco Country Club.

In programs of a civic and welfare nature, Mr. Armstrong has been vitally and unsparingly active. He has been president of the Old Orchard Beach Board of Trade, president of the local chapter of the American Red Cross, president of the Pine Tree Humane Society, and chairman of the Salvation Army and of the county war chest. He was during World War II, associate advisor of Draft Board No. 1, and as air observer chief was chairman of the speakers' bureau. He was also a member of the War Savings Committee.

In his professional career, Mr. Armstrong has been trial lawyer in a number of celebrated cases, among which are the Cloutier Murder Case, in which he was

counsel for the defense, the Cheney Train Wreck, the Pepperell Mills shooting, and the Saderquist Deportation Case.

Richard H. Armstrong has been twice married. His first marriage, which took place in Washington, D. C., in January, 1927, was terminated by divorce. He married, second, at Biddeford, May 28, 1934, Beatrice Menard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Menard. Mr. Armstrong is the father of three children: 1. Maurice H., born May 20, 1928, who served with the Engineer Corps in Germany and Japan during World War II. He has since pursued studies at the University of Maine. 2. Richard H., III, born July 11, 1929, who has attended the University of Maine and George Washington University. 3. Brent P., born June 3, 1945. The family's residence is at 325 Pool Road in Biddeford.

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#### **MacLEAN, Ralph A.**

Heading an industry of vital importance to the shipping trade, Ralph A. MacLean is the owner of Sargent-Lord and Company, a firm of ship chandlers in Portland, of which he has been proprietor for over twenty years. Mr. MacLean's skillful management has brought success to his venture, and he has become one of the city's respected business men. He is active in civic, social and fraternal affairs.

Mr. MacLean was born in Gloucester, Massachusetts, where his father was engaged in the tea and coffee business. The date of his birth was April 28, 1896, and his parents were Allan and Lena (Stropel) MacLean. He received his public schooling in Gloucester schools, and on graduation from high school in 1912, entered the sales field. He achieved considerable success as salesman for The Linen Thread Company of Boston,





*Ralph A. MacLean*



Massachusetts, and continued to serve the firm in that capacity until 1929. Having conserved his resources and being determined to enter business in his own right, Mr. MacLean came to Portland in 1929, and purchased Sargent-Lord and Company, which has long been engaged in ship chandlery in the city of Portland. His place in the community is well established and well recognized. He is a member of the Portland Kiwanis Club, the Portland Club and the Cumberland Club, as well as the Purpoodock Country Club, golf being his favorite outdoor diversion. He is a member of Tyrian Lodge, at Gloucester, Massachusetts, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, holds the Thirty-second degree in the Masonic order, and is a member of Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. MacLean served in the United States Army during World War I, in the 8th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment.

At Bellows Falls, Vermont, on January 1, 1917, Ralph A. MacLean married Ariel Tyne of Gloucester, daughter of Frank and Nellie (Riggs) Tyne, residents of that city. Mr. and Mrs. MacLean are the parents of two children: 1. Ralph A., Jr., who was born in Gloucester, Massachusetts, and attended public schools and Deering High School in Portland. He is now associated with his father in business. 2. Evelyn (MacLean) Pettengill, also a graduate of Deering High School.

Mr. MacLean's business is located at 42 Portland Pier, and his home address is 39 Sheffield Street in Portland.

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#### **GRAY, Charles Perley, M.D.**

Scion of a family which has given several distinguished names to the medical profession and to the military service of their country, Charles Perley Gray, M.D.,

has carried on in peace and war an excellent tradition of service. In addition to the wide scope of his private practice, Dr. Perley Gray has proved the value of a sound background in the professional tradition, and of thoroughness of training, through a number of important appointments. He is attending gynecologist at the Northeastern Dispensary in New York City; adjunct professor and assistant surgeon at Polyclinic Hospital; attending surgeon in the Out-patient Department, Women's Hospital, State of New York; and member of the teaching staff of the Post Graduate Hospital.

His family was long resident in the state of Maine, and Dr. Perley Gray himself was born in Old Town, in 1875. His parents were Charles Herrman and Eliza (Perley) Gray; and his maternal grandfather, Dr. Daniel Jewett Perley, was in his day a most distinguished physician and surgeon. Born in Ipswich, Massachusetts, January 23, 1797, Dr. Perley was a descendant of Allen Perley, who was born about 1608 and who first came to New England in the fleet of Governor Winthrop in 1629. He settled on land called "Button End," now situated within the town of Woburn, Massachusetts. Allen Perley, the emigrant, returned to England, but again set sail for America in 1635, and on his arrival settled in Topsfield and later in Ipswich, Massachusetts, where his descendants became numerous and prominent. Allen Perley of a later generation married Esther Burpee, and they became the parents of Dr. Daniel Jewett Perley. A relative in the maternal line of the last-named Allen Perley was John Fowler, who took part in the battle of Fort William Henry, at the southern end of Lake George, New York, as a member of the troop of horse under Captain Richard Manning and Colonel Daniel



Appleton, which marched to the relief of that fortress on August 17, 1757.

Dr. Daniel Jewett Perley graduated at the age of twenty-two from Harvard Medical School, in 1819. His diploma from that institution, dated in that year, is the second oldest in existence, and is now in the possession of Dr. Perley Gray. Dr. Daniel Perley practiced in the state of Maine until well on in his eighties. One of his professional responsibilities was the medical care of the Penobscot Indians at Old Town. Dr. Perley Gray also has his grandfather's complete collection of surgical instruments. These bone-handled instruments, in their leather cases, are still in perfect condition; as also are Dr. Perley's medical books. A series of these, published in 1844, is profusely illustrated with woodcuts, and may well be considered a collector's rarity. Another item of interest to medical students was donated by Dr. Perley to the Harvard Museum. This was the first set of Siamese Twins known to have been born in this country. These Dr. Perley had preserved himself, and they are in perfect condition today after more than eighty-eight years.

Dr. Daniel Jewett Perley married, January 28, 1828, Mary Brown Lovejoy, who was born in Gardiner, Maine, June 30, 1806. They became the parents of Eliza Perley, who married Charles Herrman Gray.

Another ancestor of Dr. Charles Perley Gray was Captain Abiel Lovejoy who fought in the French and Indian War, the American Revolution, and the War of 1812. Dr. Perley Gray still retains a memento of the captain's participation in each of these conflicts: a Revolutionary gun, which had also been used in the French and Indian War; and a red and gray plume worn by Colonel Lovejoy on

his cockade hat in the later war with the British in 1812. Genealogical data on the Perley and Lovejoy families is to be found in a volume entitled "The Lovejoy Genealogy," by Major Clarence Earle Lovejoy.

Dr. Perley Gray's father, Charles Herrman Gray, was called to the colors in the Union cause at the time of the Civil War; the document summoning him to service being in the possession of Dr. Perley Gray, and reading as follows:

"To Chas. H. Gray.

"You being enrolled as a soldier in the company of which Orderly Sergeant J. A. Blanchard is commanding officer, are hereby ordered to appear at the Old Town House on Saturday the 12th Day of July 1862 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon for the election of commissioned officers for the said company and there to wait further orders.

"Dated at Old Town this 10th Day of July 1862.

(Signed)

"George F. Dillingham"

The Gray family's old homestead in Old Town, Maine, is still standing. A note of historic interest is attached to this property. General Vesey built a railroad to carry lumber from Old Town to Bangor, to be shipped thence to foreign parts. The right-of-way of this railroad passed through the Grays' backyard, and the course it took can still be traced, although it is now overgrown with grass. Dr. Perley Gray still has a little seal belonging at one time to his grandfather. It has an ivory handle, and on the seal is embossed a representation of the first locomotive to run over this line. The name of the engine is clearly visible: "Quick."

Chief Justice Fuller, of the Supreme Court of the United States, lived, with his mother, in the Gray homestead. When he left Old Town to go to college, he told his mother he was going to study law

and climb to the top of the ladder. This he finally did, becoming Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Some time after he became chief justice, Dr. Perley Gray's mother looked out of her window and saw a gray-haired old gentleman walking around the house. He did not ring the bell; and it was a few days later that she realized that it was Chief Justice Fuller, who had returned to look over his old home.

Dr. Perley Gray was early determined to follow in the footsteps of his illustrious grandfather. The decision was well founded, for he exhibited from the first that rare aggregate of qualities so vital in the development of a leader in the medical profession. He attended Phillips Andover Academy, and completed his academic and premedical courses at the University of Maine, then entered the Medical School of Harvard University, where his grandfather had completed his professional preparation. His aptitudes were here plainly evidenced, for he was at this time appointed to the Massachusetts General Hospital, one of ten candidates so appointed, each of the other nine being a member of the senior class. Dr. Perley Gray served also at the Children's Hospital in Boston, and at the City Hospital. Thereafter, he completed eighteen months' internship at the Paterson General Hospital in New Jersey. His preparation for medical practice was rounded out by travel abroad, which took him to England, France, Germany, and Austria, for study and observation.

Dr. Perley Gray had first practiced at Hackensack, New Jersey; and on his return from Europe, exceptionally well prepared for the establishment of his medical practice, he chose as the scene of his endeavors the metropolis of New York, where he opened offices. Dr. Perley Gray

has remained there since, except when called away by reason of military service. He was appointed visiting surgeon at Midtown Hospital, and was formerly assistant visiting surgeon at the New York City Hospital. His teaching and staff appointments at the Polyclinic Hospital in New York Dr. Perley Gray has retained to the present time. Additional responsibilities at the Northeastern Dispensary and in connection with the Out-patient Department of the Women's Hospital, State of New York, have received his competent professional attention; and he has also been attached to the teaching staff of the Post Graduate Hospital, teaching a class on gynecology. He was a member of the staff of Dr. Bache-Emmett, the famous surgeon.

His military record is no less impressive than his peacetime accomplishments. Dr. Perley Gray served in the United States Army during the period of the Mexican border difficulty, and thus early in his military career proved his exceptional aptitudes. He joined as a private first class. While stationed at McAllen, Texas, near the Mexican border, the regiment went on a ten-day hike, during a period when temperatures ranged from one hundred ten to one hundred twenty degrees. Every day the colonel called for men to guard the camp, but soon there were only sick men left, so marked was the physical debility caused by the conditions of temperature and fatigue. Dr. Perley Gray, with his ample experience in medicine, was confident that if he could establish a diet kitchen, he could provide the men with food from which, in their weakened condition, they could derive nourishment. The colonel allowed him to make the provisions he wished; and thereupon Dr. Perley Gray, private first class and acting regimental surgeon,



started the first diet kitchen known to the United States Army. He first built a shack to protect the men from the sun; and there set up diets as follows: 1. Toast and tea. 2. Soup. 3. Eggs, with other lightly digested foods. Within twenty-four hours after the kitchen began operations, Dr. Perley Gray had been able to return to health enough men to mount guard, and others were able to help with the building of the camp. On his advice the camp was provided with covered latrines, cook shacks and coverings for each company; and the work of construction, all performed by men who had been sick before the diet kitchen had been established, was finished in ten days. The project had also received indispensable financial support from the Seventh Regiment Veterans Association of New York City, without whom, and without Dr. Perley Gray's skill, knowledge, and administrative ability, the end would never have been accomplished.

Dr. Perley Gray's period of service continued into the first World War, when he served overseas. He had enlisted in Company K, 7th Infantry, New York National Guard, on May 19, 1908; and rose in rank to first lieutenant and captain at the time of World War I. As a member of the American Expeditionary Forces, Dr. Perley Gray participated in the battles of the East Poperinghe Line, from July 9 to August 20, 1918; the Dickebusch Lake Sector in Belgium, from August 21 to 30; the Hindenburg Line in the vicinity of Bony, September 29-30; the La Salle River Sector, in the vicinity of St. Souplet, October 17; Jonc De Mer Ridge, at the advance dressing station, vicinity of Arbe Guernon, October 18; and the St. Maurice River, vicinity of Caballon, October 19-20. He had his dressing station at Becquiny, October 11, 12, and 13; his

advance dressing station in the Vaux Andrigny Line, October 13-14; and, finally, his dressing station at La Hale Menneresse, October 15-16, 1918. He received citation for "Distinguished and exceptional gallantry and valor" from the Commander-in-Chief of the Expeditionary Forces, and was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action from the President of the United States. Dr. Perley Gray was also awarded a citation for exceptional gallantry and devotion to duty from his divisional commander, and a regimental citation from the commanding officer of his regiment:

Dr. Gray has proved himself to be an officer of marked ability. He had the distinction of having the most forward dressing station during the fighting East of the La Salle River. He was continually in the front line and was of the greatest assistance to the officers and enlisted men.

Thomas Brady, Major,  
Commander, 107 Infantry

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He also received a medal for conspicuous service from the state of New York; and holds a certificate of capacity as "possessing the professional qualifications necessary to perform the duties and to assume the responsibility of the grade of Colonel, Medical Corps Reserve." In the grade of colonel, he was recommended for retirement from the New York National Guard; and an Act of the Senate, providing for his recommission in that grade, and for his retirement, became effective on April 26, 1941.

In addition to the above awards and citations, Dr. Perley Gray has received decorations from the governments of Poland and Greece, and a special citation from John J. Pershing, General of the Armies. Dr. Perley Gray is surgeon to the Seventh Regiment Veterans Association, a commander in the Society of American



Wars in 1944, a member of the society's Council since 1943, and is now commander general as well as chairman of this society. In 1945 he was elected surgeon general to this society, and in 1946 was elected vice commander general. He has been commander general since 1948, and is also chairman of the audit committee. He is a member of the board of managers of the Sons of the Revolution; and is also a member of the following military organizations, and surgeon to each of them: Military Order of Foreign Wars; Military Order of the World War; Society of Colonial Wars; Society of War Veterans of the Seventh New York Regiment; Seventh Regiment Veterans Association, New York National Guard; Engineer Corps and K Company, 7th Infantry, New York National Guard; First Reserve Aero Squadron Association. His posts of responsibility in each of these respective organizations are as follows: He is vice commander of the Military Order of Foreign Wars. In 1939 he was elected surgeon to this order, and this appointment was reconfirmed in 1941 and in 1943. In 1944 he was elected acting commander of the society, as the commander was on active service. In 1940 he was chairman of the audit committee, and in 1945 was elected vice commander of the order. In 1946 he was once more elected surgeon, which position he still holds. He is a charter member of the 107th Infantry Post of the American Legion, and also retains the position of surgeon, which he has held since its inception on August 16, 1919. Dr. Gray wrote a history of the 107th Infantry Post which was carried in the June 14, 1943 issue of the American Legion monthly magazine. Dr. Perley Gray was elected surgeon of the Military Order of the World War in June, 1937; and in 1940 he was elected to the staff

of this order. He was also elected chairman of the audit committee. In 1941 he was elected assistant surgeon to the Seventh Regiment Veterans Association, and in 1948 was elected surgeon, which position he still holds. In 1943 he was elected to the board of managers of the Engineer Corps, Company K, and in 1944 became a director. He is also on the relief committee. In 1939-1940 he was on the executive committee of the Medical Reserve Officers Association of the United States Army, and is chairman of the rewarding committee for that organization. He is also a member of the executive committee. He was re-elected chairman of the stewards in 1939, 1940, and 1942, his term expiring in 1945. In 1940 Dr. Perley Gray was elected chairman of audit of the Military Order of American Wars; and in 1945, he was a member of the naval and military committee of King Jagiello, and attended the unveiling of the statue in Central Park, New York, to commemorate the five hundred thirty-fifth anniversary of this Polish King.

Dr. Perley Gray's military duties continued until recent years. In 1930 he was on active duty at Mitchel Field, and in 1932 saw active duty at Carlisle Barracks in Pennsylvania. He was in command of General Hospital 206 of the United States Army until 1941 when he retired. This is a full colonel's position, but Dr. Perley Gray retired as a lieutenant colonel a few months before his colonelcy was established. In 1943 he was elected to the board of managers of the Massing of the Colors, and was a member of the nominating committee; and in 1944 he became chairman of the nominating committee. In 1948 he was elected surgeon of this order, which position he still holds. He is also a member of the Forty and Eight.

Dr. Perley Gray has continued to advance in eminence in his profession. He was elected chairman, in 1945, of the Obstetrical and Gynecological Section of the Polyclinic Hospital in New York. He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons; a former president of the University Alumni Association of New York, and of the Harvard Medical Society; a member of the American Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society, and the New York County Medical Society; and has been physician for the Metropolitan Opera Company on Wednesday for three years. Dr. Perley Gray has also connections with the business world, being a member of the board of directors of the Durkee Marine Manufacturing Company.

A member of the Maine Society of New York, he was re-elected to the board of trustees of this organization in 1947, which brought his service in that position to a total of ten years. He is also a member of the New Book committee of the society, and has been for many years a member of the board of governors.

Dr. Perley Gray's clubs are the Harvard, the University, and the New York Athletic. For recreation, he enjoys outdoor sports in considerable variety: hunting and fishing, riding and golf.

In 1941 Dr. Perley Gray married, in Washington, D. C., Grace Burgess. They make their home at 140 East 56th Street, New York; and Dr. Perley Gray's office address is 133 East 58th Street.

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#### **RINES, William H.**

Through his activities in connection with Radio Station WCSH, Portland, William H. Rines has found opportunity to serve the people of Maine in numerous ways. As managing director of the broadcasting station, Mr. Rines has been

providing high-quality entertainment coupled with information presented as public service.

Mr. Rines is the son of the late Henry P. Rines, who founded Station WCSH, and of Adeline (Bond) Rines, who is president of the Congress Square Hotel Company, owners of the radio station and of the Eastland and Congress Square hotels in Portland. The station, established in July, 1925, is housed in, and broadcasts from, the Congress Square Hotel. The senior Mr. Rines built the Eastland Hotel as well as the radio station and was himself president of the Congress Square Hotel Company.

William H. Rines was born March 27, 1917 in Portland and was graduated from Phillips Exeter Academy and Harvard College. Harvard awarded him his degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1940. In April, 1941, Mr. Rines became managing director of WCSH and has since become a prominent figure in Maine and in the broadcasting industry in New England. Station WCSH, with five kilowatts of power, operates on a frequency of 970 kilocycles. It has an extensive influence in the Southwest Maine area.

Mr. Rines is also a corporator of the Maine Savings Bank and a director of the Cumberland Savings and Loan Association, both of Portland. In addition, he is president of the Portland Better Business Bureau and a director of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. He is also active in the Rotary Club of Portland, Portland Club, the Portland Yacht Club, the Cumberland Club and the Torch Club. He is a director, Portland chapter, American Red Cross. He is a Republican and with his family worships in the State Street Congregational Church of Portland.

Mr. Rines married Anne R. McCon-





*William H. Pines*





nell, daughter of Anne R. (Waldo) and Charles E. McConnell, at Halifax, Virginia, on July 26, 1941. Mrs. Rines attended Hollins College, Roanoke, Virginia, and Women's College of the University of North Carolina, at Greensboro. Mr. and Mrs. Rines have three children: 1. Anne R. Rines, born on May 21, 1943. 2. Marjorie W. Rines, born on April 21, 1945. 3. Henry M. Rines, born on February 27, 1947.

#### **BERRY, Harvey N.**

As vice president and treasurer of the Northeast Company, in Portland, Harvey N. Berry holds a position of distinction in business life in this region of Maine.

Mr. Berry was born September 5, 1898, in Raymond, Cumberland County, son of the late John O. and Grace V. (Barrows) Berry. He attended Pennell Institute, at Gray, Maine, and early turned his attention to business affairs. In 1924 he associated himself with Kendall and Whitney, in Portland, with whom he was a clerk from 1924 to 1931 and manager from 1931 to 1938. In 1938 he became a partner and manager of that enterprise, which was reorganized as the Kendall and Whitney Implement Company. Until 1945 he was with that establishment. Then he became part owner, vice president, treasurer and manager of the Northeast Company, retailers and distributors of farm machinery and supplies.

In addition to his work with this organization, which is headed by Frank Petri as president, Mr. Berry is a leading figure in local affairs. He is a member of Presumpscott Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, in North Windham, and of the Woodfords Congregational Church. In spare time he enjoys healthful outdoor recreations, such as fishing.

Harvey N. Berry married, August 1,

1924, at South Portland, Nellie D. Sample, of Strong, Maine, daughter of James A. and Florence (McDonald) Sample.

#### **HEIFETZ, Ralph, M.D.**

Carrying on a practice of medicine in Portland, Dr. Ralph Heifetz has specialized in recent years in pediatrics. He has performed important work both in his office practice and institutional service.

Dr. Heifetz was born September 23, 1906, in Lawrence, Massachusetts, son of Alex Heifetz. Lawrence schools provided Ralph Heifetz's early education, and he was graduated from high school in 1923. Then followed a period of pre-medical studies at Tufts College between 1923 and 1925. He was graduated as a Doctor of Medicine from Tufts Medical School in 1929, then served internships at Maine General Hospital in 1929-1930 and at Marine Hospital, Portland, in 1930-1931. He then took up a general practice of medicine in Portland, continuing until 1940.

Gradually Dr. Heifetz became more and more interested in children's ailments and took postgraduate studies in this field at Tufts Medical School and at the Post-Graduate Medical School, New York City. From October, 1940, until March, 1946, he served in the Army Medical Corps with the rank of lieutenant colonel, being stationed in the South Pacific theater. Since returning from his wartime duties, he has been a specialist in pediatrics in Portland.

Here Dr. Heifetz is a member of the Portland Medical Club. He also belongs to the Cumberland County Medical Association, the Maine State Medical Association, the American Medical Association and the New England Pediatric Society. He is a member of the Reserve Officers Association. Music has long been his

special hobby, and for recreation he enjoys playing the piano.

Dr. Ralph Heifetz married, March 31, 1940, at Boston, Massachusetts, Bernice Hilda Diamond, daughter of Peter Diamond. Mrs. Heifetz was graduated from the Forsythe Dental School in Boston. They became the parents of a son, Allen William Heifetz, born January 13, 1943, in Portland.

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**FORSAITH, Samuel L.**

In 1896 Samuel L. Forsaith began serving an apprenticeship, as he calls it, in the First National Bank of Brunswick, one of Maine's well-known financial institutions. Step by step he rose in the organization until, in 1932, he assumed his present office, that of president. He has been serving the Town of Brunswick as treasurer almost throughout his banking career, and he is also a member of the board of trustees of the Brunswick Institute for Savings. He is an outstanding Mason in the Brunswick area.

Born in Brunswick on March 25, 1878, Samuel L. Forsaith is the son of Edwin B. and Marion (Bean) Forsaith. His father, a sea captain, died in 1888 on the Isle of Mauritius, a British colony in the Indian Ocean east of Madagascar. The mother died in Brunswick in August, 1945, at the age of eighty-nine.

The First National's president received his entire education in Brunswick's public schools. Graduated from the Brunswick High School in 1896, at the age of eighteen, he began his bank apprenticeship. On January 13, 1903, he was appointed cashier and on August 12, 1910 was elected to the board of directors. On November 10, 1932, he was made president. In 1902 Mr. Forsaith began serving the town as treasurer, an office he has held without interruption since

that year. He is a trustee of the Brunswick Institution for Savings.

Prominent in the United Lodge No. 8, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Brunswick, Mr. Forsaith served as its master in 1913 and from 1913 to December, 1946, was lodge treasurer. He holds the Thirty-second degree in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, being a member of various of its bodies in Brunswick and at Portland. He worships in the First Congregational Parish of Brunswick. Mr. Forsaith is unmarried.

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**WHYTE, Ward W.**

As managing director of the General Ice Cream Corporation, in Portland, Ward W. Whyte plays an important part in the business life of Maine.

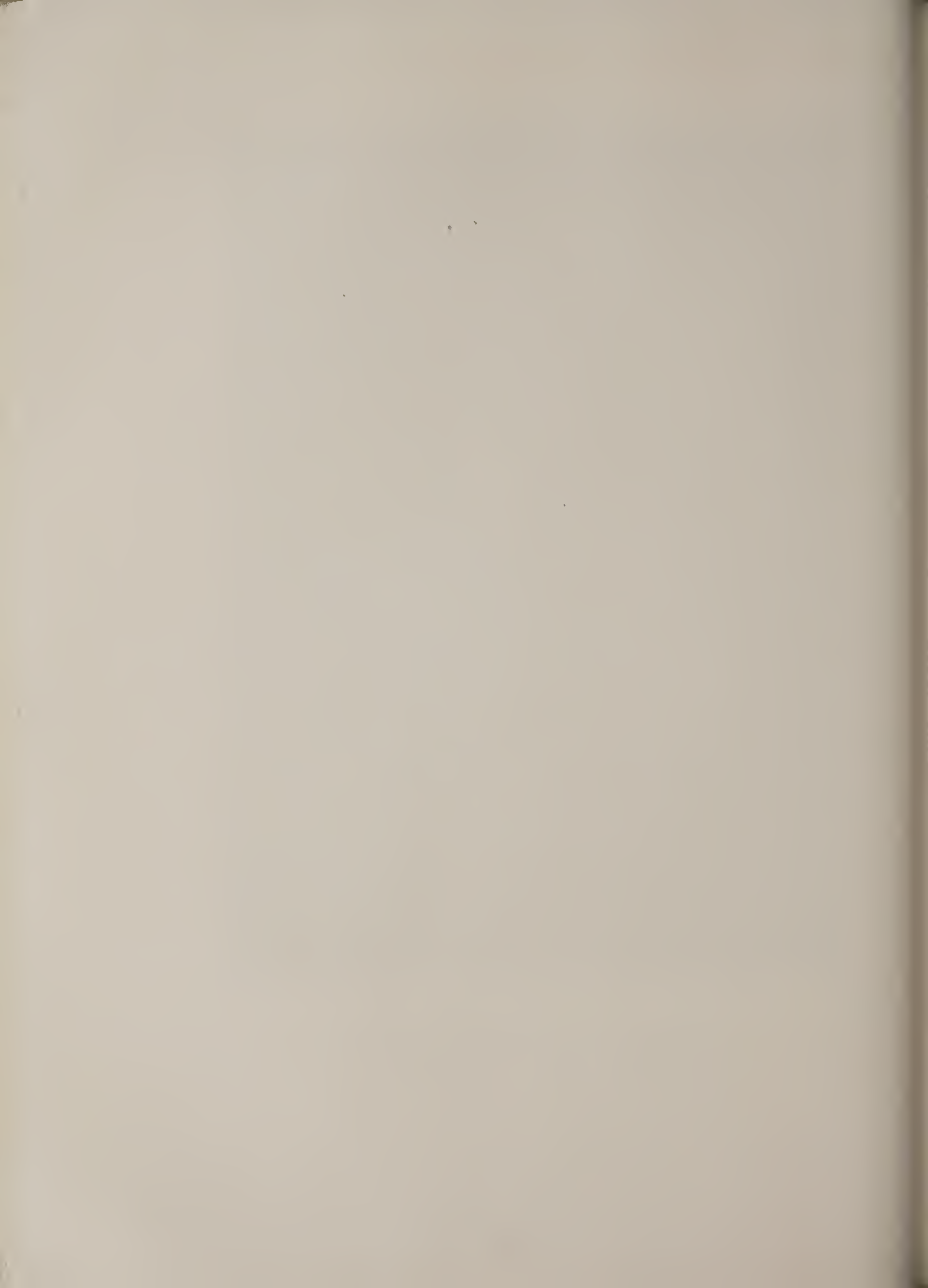
Mr. Whyte was born August 14, 1895, in Lancaster, New Hampshire, son of William J. and Elizabeth Jane (McCowan) Whyte. His father was born in Frampton, Quebec, Canada, and moved to Lancaster, New Hampshire, in young manhood, serving an apprenticeship in the plumbing and steamfitting business. Later he operated his own enterprise, the Lancaster Plumbing and Heating Company. The mother was also a native of Frampton, Quebec, and settled in girlhood in Gardiner, Maine, where they were married.

Lancaster schools provided Ward W. Whyte's early education, and he was graduated from high school in 1912. At a very early age he began his work in the ice cream manufacturing industry, associating himself with the Coon Ice Cream Company in Burlington, Vermont. This company was later merged with several other New England establishments to form the Eastern Dairies with headquarters in Springfield, Massachu-





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setts. In 1921 Mr. Whyte was transferred to Biddeford, where he opened a branch. Four years later in 1925, he established a branch in Portland, managing both plants for the Eastern Dairies until 1929, when Eastern Dairies was merged with General Ice Cream Corporation of Schenectady, New York. That company purchased the Simmons and Hammond Manufacturing Company Division in Portland, in 1929, which had long operated an ice cream business in Maine. This company now continues as the Simmons and Hammond Manufacturing Company Division of the General Ice Cream Corporation in Portland. Mr. Whyte became sales manager of this Maine organization in 1930 and was promoted to managing director in 1941.

In addition to his work with the General Ice Cream Corporation, Mr. Whyte has interested himself in the broader aspects of New England business life, particularly in his own industry. In 1944 and 1945 he was president of the New England Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers on whose board of directors he now serves. He is also secretary of the Traveling Men's Auxiliary of the Maine Pharmaceutical Association, having so served since 1947. He is a director of the International Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers. In addition he belongs to the Portland Rotary Club, the Cumberland Club, the Portland Country Club, the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Portland Toastmasters Club, and the Roman Catholic Church of Falmouth. In his spare time he enjoys golf and photography.

Ward W. Whyte married, June 25, 1914, Mary C. Horner of Burlington, Vermont, daughter of Victor and Martha (Huston) Horner. They became the parents of the following children: 1.

Richard Van, born February 14, 1915, in Burlington, Vermont. He graduated from Deering High School in Portland in 1933, and received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1938 from the University of New Hampshire. Early in World War II, he entered the United States Naval Reserve serving as communications officer at Attu with the Naval Air Forces from 1942 to 1945. Richard Van Whyte is now an agent of the John Hancock Life Insurance Company in Portland. He married Mary Olive Thompson of Portland, daughter of Dr. William and Mary (Halloran) Thompson, and they became the parents of four children: i. Stephen T., born in Portland. ii. Richard Van, Jr., born in Quonsett, Rhode Island. iii. William John, born in Portland. iv. Jane Elizabeth, born in Portland. 2. Ward W. Whyte, Jr., born November 5, 1918, in Burlington. A graduate of the Hackley School in Tarrytown, New York, he is now manager of the Scranton, Pennsylvania plant of the General Ice Cream Corporation. Ward W. Whyte, Jr., married Dorothy Thompson of Portland, daughter of the late Charles Thompson, and they became the parents of the following children: i. Timothy John, born in Springfield, Massachusetts. ii. Terrence Coleman, born in Portland. iii. Susan Jane, born in Bangor.

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#### **CURTIS, Harry L., M.D.**

Dr. Harry L. Curtis, whose successful medical practice is established at Portland, has specialized since completing training, in the field of urology. In addition to an extensive private practice, the consequence of his skill and well-earned reputation, Dr. Curtis has accepted and ably filled several hospital appointments, which have made his services even more



valuable to his community. He has held the rank of major in a medical detachment of the Maine National Guard.

Dr. Curtis was born at Topsham, Maine, October 18, 1896, son of Dr. Harris O. and Addie Laura (Douglas) Curtis, both parents being now deceased. As a graduate of Topsham High School, Dr. Curtis entered Bowdoin College, where in 1920 he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then entered the medical school at Bowdoin, where he studied during 1920-1921. His degree of Doctor of Medicine was taken from Tufts Medical School in 1924, he having spent the intervening three years at that institution.

Dr. Curtis interned at the Maine General Hospital at Portland, and has since conducted his practice in that city, specializing in urology and maintaining offices at 142 High Street. He is a member of the staff of the Maine General Hospital, and of the courtesy staff of the Mercy Hospital, both located in Portland; and he is chief urologist at the Eye and Ear Hospital in Portland.

During World War I, Dr. Curtis served as a specialist, being stationed at Fort Banks after his enlistment, and attending the artillery school. From 1925 to 1933, he was a member of the Maine National Guard, in which he attained the rank of lieutenant in 1928, that of captain from 1928 to 1930, and held the rank of major from 1930 to 1933. His final assignment placed Dr. Curtis in charge of the medical detachment of the 240th Coast Artillery.

Professionally, Dr. Curtis is a member of the American Medical Association, the Maine Medical Association, and the Cumberland County Medical Association, as well as the Portland Medical Club. He associates with the colleagues in the field of his specialty as a member of the

New England Section of the American Urological Association, and he is a member of the American Neisserian Association. Locally, he is a member of the Executives Club of Portland, and he finds in the outdoor sports of hunting and fishing diversion from the responsibilities of professional life.

Dr. Harry L. Curtis is married to the former Alice E. Hanson of Westbrook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holger Hanson. To Dr. and Mrs. Curtis have been born three children: 1. Ruth, born in Portland and a graduate of the Portland High School, now attending the University of Maine where she is a member of the class of 1951. 2. Dorothy Mae, also a graduate of Portland High School. 3. Harris Lester, attending Portland High School.

Dr. Curtis's father, Dr. Harris O. Curtis was a native of Litchfield, Maine, who attended Bowdoin Medical School and practiced all his life in Topsham, until his death in 1924.

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#### **CLIFFORD, Philip Greely**

Since 1907 Philip Greely Clifford has engaged in the practice of law in Portland, and during that time has become prominently identified with a number of organizations in official capacity. His part in community life, and in the organizations of his professional colleagues, has been no less active.

Born September 11, 1892, in Portland, Mr. Clifford has laid the course of his entire career in the city of his birth. He is a son of William Henry and Ellen Greely (Brown) Clifford. His preliminary education was obtained in Portland, after which he entered Bowdoin College, taking the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1903. His law studies were pursued at Harvard

University Law School during 1904-1905. Admitted to the bar of the State of Maine in 1907, he has since practiced in Portland. Mr. Clifford is treasurer and general manager, and a director, of J. B. Brown and Sons, and is treasurer, director and clerk of the W. H. Clifford Company. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Fern Park Land Corporation and the firm of Anderson, Adams Company. He is a trustee of the Portland Public Library, and is a member of the board of Overseers of Bowdoin College, in which institution he has maintained a sympathetic interest throughout the years.

During World War I, Mr. Clifford was a member of the legal advisory board of Portland. He is affiliated with the American Bar Association, the Maine State, and the Cumberland County bar associations, and is a Democrat in his politics. Mr. Clifford is a trustee of the Maine State Historical Society, and is a member of the Portland Society of Art and the Portland Society of Natural History, denoting his vital interest in a widespread area of knowledge. Locally, he is a member of the Cumberland and the Portland Yacht Clubs of Portland, and his fraternities are Psi Upsilon and Phi Beta Kappa. In his politics, Mr. Clifford is loyal to the tenets of the Democratic party.

He has written two books: "Nathan Clifford, Democrat," in 1922, and "Romances of 1903."

Philip Greely Clifford married Katherine Hale on October 11, 1905, and they are the parents of three daughters: 1. Margaret Ellen. 2. Matilda Greely, who married William H. Clifford, III. 3. Ann, who married Howard H. Dana. Mr. Clifford makes his home at 71 Carroll Street, and his office address is 57 Exchange Street, Portland.

#### **MILES, Judge Adelbert L.**

Well-known Portland attorney and former judge of probate in Knox County, Adelbert L. Miles was born July 7, 1891 in Ellsworth, the son of Adelbert W. and Cornelia Marie (Buckley) Miles. Both parents were natives of Ellsworth, where his father was a shoe manufacturer.

Judge Miles is a graduate of Maine Central Institute of Pittsfield, and of the University of Maine where he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1917. He was then admitted to the bar, and conducted a general practice of law in Rockland until 1933, when he came to Portland. Judge Miles served in the United States Army during World War I. He is a former judge of probate, County of Knox, and also served as recorder of the Rockland municipal court at one time. He has practiced in Portland since 1933.

Judge Miles is a member of the Cumberland Bar Association. He belongs to Caldwell Post of the American Legion, in Portland, and fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at Rockland and the Rockland Commandery, Knights Templar. He is a member of the Universalist Church. His favorite recreation is fishing.

On March 26, 1918 at Rockland he married Lucia Howard Burpee of Rockland, the daughter of Fred and Lucia F. (Howard) Burpee. Judge and Mrs. Miles have three children: 1. Robert Keith Miles, born in Rockland in 1920, a graduate of Deering High School in Portland and of the Boston University School of Business Administration. He is now studying law at the Portland Law School. During World War II he served four years in the United States Army Air Force in the European theatre as navigator-bombardier pilot, holding the rank



of first lieutenant. He married Jean Renauf of Brighton, Massachusetts, and they have one son, Robert, Jr., born in Portland in 1948. 2. June Marie Miles, born in Rockland, a graduate of Deering High School in Portland and of Gorham Normal School in Buxton, Massachusetts. She married Daniel Snell, and they have a daughter, Mary Joan Snell, born in Portland in 1947. 3. Joanne Miles, born in Rockland, a graduate of Deering High School. She married Eric Crandellmere of Portland, and they have a daughter, Ann, born in Portland in 1948.

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#### **HAYES, Malcolm Staples**

Until his death on January 18, 1950, owner of the White and Hayes Funeral Parlor in Bangor, Malcolm Staples Hayes was active in the profession of funeral direction in the city of Bangor for nearly thirty years. His ample experience was revealed in his skillful management of the beautiful funeral home on Center Street. Residents of Bangor found his service reliable; and learned that thorough knowledge, dependability, and sympathetic attention to their requirements characterized Mr. Hayes's establishment.

Son of Hiram Edwin and Jennie (Staples) Hayes, Malcolm Staples Hayes was born in North Berwick on September 19, 1895. His family, of Scotch antecedents, migrated to America during the early years of its settlement. Mr. Hayes was given a thorough education. After graduation from North Berwick High School in 1914, he first studied commercial subjects at the Dover, New Hampshire, Business College; and thereafter attended and graduated from the New England Institute of Anatomy, Sanitary Science and Embalming. From 1916 to 1918, Mr. Hayes was associated with the Dorntee Casket Company of Boston, Massachu-

setts; and during 1919-1920 was funeral director with the Houlton Furniture Company, Houlton, Maine, employed in the funeral parlors operated by that concern.

He became associated, in 1920, with Ralph B. White, who in the closing years of the nineteenth century had established in Bangor a funeral home. They operated the White and Hayes Funeral Parlor in Bangor as a partnership from 1925, and from 1934 to his death in 1950, Mr. Hayes was sole owner. The home is beautifully appointed, and has the best of facilities, including Cadillac coaches. During the years of his management, Mr. Hayes earned a high reputation for his service.

Mr. Hayes was particularly active in organizational activities in his community. He was a member and past president of the Kiwanis Club of Bangor, and belonged to the United Travelers and the Executives Club. Professionally, he held membership in the Maine Funeral Directors Association, of which he was past president; and he was chairman of the Bangor Cemetery Board. He belonged to a number of lodges: the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he was past Noble Grand; the Improved Order of Red Men; and the Rebekahs. He was a Mason, belonging to the York Rite and holding the Thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He was past commander of St. John's Commandery No. 3, and a past patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. Mr. Hayes also belonged to the local Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry. In religious affiliation, he was a Baptist, and served his church as deacon.

At North Berwick, on September 6, 1919, Malcolm Staples Hayes married Helen G. Billings, daughter of Hiram Elmer and Alla (Ford) Billings. Mr.





*Malcolm S. Hayes*



and Mrs. Hayes became the parents of four children: 1. Elaine, born March 8, 1922, a graduate of Bangor High School and the University of Maine. 2. Priscilla, born September 15, 1928, also a graduate of Bangor High School and a student at Augusta General Hospital where she is training to become a nurse. 3. Malcolm S., Jr., born in January, 1934. 4. Norman, born in January, 1936. Both of the latter are students at Bangor High School. The Hayes residence is at 88 Boutell Road, Bangor.

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#### **IRVINE, George Maynard**

In the Calais community, George Maynard Irvine has made a valuable contribution as funeral director and florist. His role in the civic and social affairs of this region of Maine has been a significant one.

Mr. Irvine was born May 19, 1886, in Milltown, New Brunswick, Canada, son of Robert and Clara (Johnson) Irvine, both of whom died in 1924, the father in January and the mother in October of that year. The elder Mr. Irvine was a builder and contractor. Public schools of his Canadian birthplace, Milltown, provided George Maynard Irvine's early formal education. He was graduated from high school there in 1903. In the following year he came to the United States, where he became a citizen in 1930.

Continuously from 1906 to 1916 he was associated with Armour and Company, in Calais. Then, for ten years, until 1926, he was with the Mapleleaf Milling Company, in St. Johns, New Brunswick. Returning then to Calais, Mr. Irvine became a partner in the firm of McDonald and Irvine, operators of a funeral home and a florist business in this city. This enterprise was originally established in

this community by his partner on April 1, 1927, but in 1937 Mr. Irvine purchased full control of the business, which he continues to head.

In addition to conducting this firm under his own name, Mr. Irvine is prominent in local civic and social life. He is a Republican in politics, and is a member of the Calais Chamber of Commerce and the St. Croix Club. In 1947 he was president of the Calais Rotary Club. In the Free and Accepted Masons he is affiliated with Blue Lodge, Royal Arch chapter, council of Royal and Select Masters, Knights Templar commandery and Luxor Temple (St. Johns, New Brunswick) of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is active in the Episcopal Church. During World War I he was active in the bond sales campaigns in St. Johns, New Brunswick, where he was then residing.

George Maynard Irvine married (first), in June, 1906, Adelaide M. Hutchins. He married (second), in October, 1934, Mary I. Myers, a graduate nurse of Calais Hospital, class of 1925. He has one daughter of the earlier marriage, Shirley Jean Irvine, born in 1928. She attended grade and high school in Calais and became the wife of Edward T. Staples, of Auburn, Maine. Mr. Staples served in the Army Air Corps, Pacific Theater of Operations, during World War II.

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#### **DI BIASE, Camillo**

President and treasurer of the contracting firm which bears his name, and which has become well known for its vital contribution to the upbuilding of the Portland area, Mr. Di Biase has been engaged in general construction work in Portland for thirty years, and his name is associated in the public mind with com-



petence, vision, and a high standard of ethical business procedure. He participates actively in the organizations of his colleagues in the trade, and in civic affairs.

Mr. Di Biase was born in Italy on July 1, 1897, son of Guy and Santa (Blasiola) Di Biase. He attended public schools in his native land before coming to this country, and once here, continued his studies in night school, being eager to obtain the education which he realized was so vital to success. He came to Portland immediately upon arriving in America, and has been a resident of that city since he was sixteen years of age.

Mr. Di Biase established his own business in 1920. Engaging in general contracting and building, he has succeeded well, and continues operations at present under the firm style of "C. Di Biase Co., Inc." Of his firm he holds the offices of president and treasurer. Although he has undertaken some residential construction, the greater part of Mr. Di Biase's contracting work is commercial and industrial.

He is active in the life of his community, being a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Portland Credit Bureau. He belongs also to the General Contractors Association, and he and his family are communicants of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church.

On September 23, 1919, Camillo Di Biase married Angela Matteo of Portland, and they became the parents of three children: 1. John, who was born in Portland in 1922 and is a graduate of Portland High School. John Di Biase married Marilyn Fogg of Freeport, Maine. 2. Jeanette, born in January, 1924, a graduate of Portland High School. 3. Cinderella, born in 1925, attending Portland High School.

Mr. Di Biase's business address, that of the C. Di Biase Company, Inc., is 551A Congress Street, Portland.

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#### **ALLEN, Dr. Mason H.**

Osteopathic physician and medical director of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine at Portland, Dr. Mason H. Allen was born at Bryant's Pond, February 18, 1902, the son of Mark C. and Gertrude K. (Kelley) Allen. Dr. Allen's father is a retired merchant at Bryant's Pond.

A graduate of Hebron Academy, Dr. Allen studied at Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery at Kirksville, Missouri. He interned at the Laughlin Hospital at Kirksville, and has engaged in general practice in Portland since 1925. Dr. Allen is a past president of the Maine Osteopathic Association and past president of the New England Osteopathic Association. He is now director of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine at Portland.

Fraternally Dr. Allen is affiliated with Jefferson Lodge at Bryant's Pond, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons at South Portland, Portland Commandery, Knights Templar, and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Lewiston. Dr. Allen is a member of the Portland Kiwanis Club. He belongs to Sigma Sigma Phi honorary fraternity and also to Iota Tau Sigma. He and his family are members of the Williston Congregational Church.

On February 23, 1923 at Des Moines, Iowa, Dr. Allen married Margaret Baker of Quincy, Illinois. Dr. and Mrs. Allen have two children: 1. Thomas, born at Portland, October 24, 1924. He graduated from South Portland High School and took three years of premedical work at the University of Maine, and is now









a student at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy and Surgery. During World War II he spent thirty months in service in the United States Navy in the Pacific Theater of Operations. 2. Roger, born in Portland in March, 1929, now stationed at the United States Naval Reserve Officers Training Camp at the University of Idaho, where he is studying chemistry.

### SISTERS OF MERCY

When the diamond jubilee of the Sisters of Mercy in Maine was celebrated in 1948 His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph E. McCarthy, D.D., Bishop of Portland of the Roman Catholic Church, wrote:

"We are truly unworthy of writing this tribute to those valiant women of the Mercy Order, in the Diocese of Portland, on this memorable occasion of their noble service of seventy-five years of work well done for Christ and Holy Mother Church. We find them laboring throughout the vast areas of Maine—in schools, orphanages, in the home for the aged, in their College and Academy of this city (Portland). There, too, in the far-flung Reservations of our Indian Colonies we find them and in the well-known hospitals where the sick, the infirm and the dying are nursed to a better and happier end, irrespective of creed, race or color . . . Well done, good and faithful Sisters of Mercy. Your names are written not in marble monuments, not in letters of gold on the pages of current history but in the immemorial records of the Book of Life. . ."

The Congregation of the Sisters of Mercy in Maine, which has had so much to do with the development of education, health programs, hospitals, and institutions caring for children and the aged throughout the State, belongs to the Portland Diocese. The order was founded in Dublin, Ireland, in 1831, when Mary Catherine McAuley, a rich heiress, "responded to the call of Christ and gave herself and all she possessed of worldly

goods to be spent in the service of the poor, sick and ignorant." The inspiration for this whole-hearted donation of self and property came from the spirit of the ancient Order of Mercy, founded in Spain by St. Peter Nolasco in 1218, for the redemption of Christian captives. The Reverend Mother Mary Catherine McAuley began her great work by opening a house in Dublin for the training of young women. This project succeeded so well that Mother McAuley successfully applied to the Presentation Nuns for an opportunity to learn the ways of Religious Life. When novitiate training was completed the first Sisters of Mercy established the Motherhouse of the Congregation on Baggot Street in Dublin. The Holy Father voiced the approval of the Church and today the daughters of Mother McAuley form a notable part of the network of religious orders covering the earth.

In 1843 Mother Francis Xavier Warde, co-worker and assistant of Mother McAuley in Ireland, brought the first band of volunteer Sisters of Mercy to the United States and here supervised the establishment of thirty-three separate Houses of the order. One of these was at Manchester, New Hampshire, then a part of the Portland Diocese. In 1865 the Sisters formed a branch house at Bangor. After the division of Maine and New Hampshire into separate dioceses, the Right Reverend David W. Bacon, first Bishop of Portland, requested the Sisters of Mercy to establish their Motherhouse in Portland. Since that date, 1873, the Congregation has grown and flourished in the state. In May, 1872, three Sisters from Manchester, as the vanguard, had arrived in Portland to take charge of orphans.

Space does not permit a detailed story of the events which quickly followed the

arrival of the Sisters in Portland, events which were to have the utmost influence in the building of Maine. The following list of foundations from the Portland Motherhouse suggests the nature of the great service the Sisters of Mercy have rendered the State:

1873—The Parochial Schools in Portland; St. Elizabeth's Academy and St. Elizabeth's Home.

1877—Kavanagh School.

1878—The State School at the Indian Reservation near Old Town.

1879—The Indian Schools at Pleasant Point and at Dana's Point.

1881—St. Joseph's Academy and St. Joseph's Home for Aged Women.

1885—Immaculate Conception Convent and School at Calais. St. Joseph's Convent and School in Old Town.

1894—St. Mary's Convent and Schools at Biddeford.

1896—St. Mary's Parochial School in Bangor.

1898—St. Mary's Convent.

1903—St. Ignatius' Convent and School at Sanford.

1904—St. John's Convent and School at Brunswick.

1905—St. Joseph's Convent and School at Lewiston.

1907—Holy Innocents' Home. Land purchased in Deering for a new Motherhouse.

1908—The New Convent was started, the cornerstone was laid and the dedication ceremony was performed by the Right Reverend Louis S. Walsh, D.D.

1909—St. Anthony's Guild, a home for young girls. Cathedral High School. New Convent occupied by the Sisters. Institute for Boys on

Free Street, Portland. St. Mary's Convent and School in Bath.

1911—St. Mary's Academy at Houlton. St. Michael's Home in Bangor.

1913—St. Edward's Convent and School in Bar Harbor.

1914—St. Mary's Convent and School at Augusta.

1915—St. Joseph's College for Women incorporated under the laws of the State. (The detailed story of this institution appears below.) St. Joseph's Parochial School in Portland. Sacred Heart Parochial School in Portland. The Madigan Memorial Hospital in Houlton. The first Catholic Training School for Nurses organized in Houlton.

1916—St. Mary's Convent, School and Catholic High School in Orono.

1917—Catholic High School for Boys in Portland.

1918—Queen's Hospital established with training school for nurses, Portland.

1919—The King's Academy established on State Street, Portland.

1920—St. Louis Home for Boys at Scarborough.

1922—South Wing added to the Motherhouse. St. Theresa's Convent and School opened at South Brewer. St. Benedict's Convent, School and High School in Benedicta.

1929—St. Rose Convent and St. Athanasius School, Rumford.

1933—Our Lady of Ransom Convent, Mechanic Falls.

1934—Immaculate Heart of Mary Convent and School at Fairfield.

1938—St. Joseph's Convent, Gardiner. Opening of Holy Cross School,







COLLEGE OF OUR LADY OF MERCY

South Portland.

1942—The Mercy Hospital, Portland.

A new wing is now being built (1949).

1945—Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Convent at Presque Isle. Our Lady of the Rosary Convent at Brownville Junction.

1947—St. Mary's Convent and School, Westbrook. St. Joseph's Convent and School, Farmington.

The Church and the state look forward to further contributions to education and welfare, and spiritual development by the Sisters of Mercy.

### COLLEGE OF OUR LADY OF MERCY

On what is known to Maine's Catholics as St. Joseph's Campus in Portland are the facilities for all the years of a girl's education from the subprimary grades through college. This is the only place in the United States where this constellation of educational facilities exists in one compact organization. It begins with St. Joseph's Academy, which comprises grades from subprimary through the high school years; and reaches its culmination with the College of Our Lady of Mercy, formerly called St. Joseph's College for Women.

The last named, founded in 1915, is the only women's college in Maine which grants the Bachelor of Arts degree. It also awards other degrees to qualified students: Bachelor of Science in Education, Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education, and Bachelor of Science in Commerce. As with all the Catholic educational institutions of Maine, College of Our Lady of Mercy is identified with the activities of the famed Sisters of Mercy and in all its history the college has had

only two deans, both members of this order: Sister Mary Naveria who died in 1938, and Sister Mary Honoratus, who has carried on most efficiently the good work begun by her predecessor. In 1948 Dr. Daniel J. O'Neill, formerly of the faculty of Providence College in Providence, Rhode Island, became president of St. Joseph's, succeeding Dr. James F. Rockett.

In the diamond jubilee celebration of the advent of the Sisters of Mercy in Maine, "The Church World" devoted an entire issue to this order and its institutions. On the subject of St. Joseph's the paper said:

"St. Joseph's College for Women is, in more than one respect, the crowning achievement of the educational work of the Sisters of Mercy in Maine. In the small but select group of students it enrolls, one finds a truly appreciative understanding of the importance of Christian culture in forming the totally Christian personality. It is this personality which Catholic educators realize is needed in the world today, if college graduates are to be potent leaders in bringing Christ-like peace and order into private and public life and national and international affairs. The high standards of scholarship maintained at St. Joseph's College, both in its liberal arts course and its normal school division, have earned it an enviable reputation. Every year many superintendents of schools in Maine wish to hire its graduates. Though a large number of graduates do become teachers, the present alumnae list shows that some are engaged in such professions as social service, business and medical technology. Some of its graduates have continued their studies and have received graduate degrees from large universities, including Columbia and Fordham. . . . As many people have observed, college life at St. Joseph's is not only seriously scholastic, it is also happy and home-like. This feature is due in no small measure to the friendly, family relationships existing between the faculty members and the students. All work together for the good of their loved Alma Mater. One might say that the spirit of the college is not unlike that of its holy patron. It may sometimes be looked upon as 'hidden' or obscure, but it is



ever a source of aid to those who seek eternal values for their treasures of heart and mind."

The college was opened in Deering in 1915, having been incorporated or chartered under the laws of Maine, with full power to confer degrees. In that year the Sisters of Mercy also established various other institutions, including St. Joseph's Parish School in Portland. The college is located on the grounds connected with the Motherhouse of the Sisters of Mercy and St. Joseph's Academy. The history of the Sisters of Mercy and of their numerous activities on behalf of education, welfare, child care, health, and spiritual development, so influential in the life of Maine, is told elsewhere in this history of the state.

Dr. Rockett, who had been state director of education in Rhode Island before he became president of St. Joseph's College, died in the spring of 1948. Dr. O'Neill had been an associate of his in Rhode Island, and late in 1948 he was brought to Maine to succeed his old colleague. At Providence College Dr. O'Neill was not only professor of Latin and English for twenty years, but he was also an executive of the Extension Division. This latter work brought him proof of the values of part-time study for those who can in no other way continue their education after the formal school and college years.

Consequently, Dr. O'Neill has been devoting himself assiduously to the development of an adult education program at the College of Our Lady of Mercy, and with its establishment Our Lady of Mercy will take another long progressive step. Along with the adult education center he plans also an expanded physical plant, a fully-functioning alumnae association, and further accreditization for the college. The expansion of the plant would,

in Dr. O'Neill's opinion, make possible caring for three hundred undergraduates. At present, there are three hundred students enrolled, but many of these are in the summer session and Saturday extension courses. Dr. O'Neill himself entered college at the age of fifteen and joined the faculty of the Dominican Providence College in 1928 after taking his Master of Arts degree there. He took his Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1931, and is well known as a textbook writer and lecturer.

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#### HAIGIS, Dr. Philip J.

Osteopathic physician of Scarborough and a member of the staff of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine at Portland, is Dr. Philip J. Haigis, who is also school physician for the Town of Scarborough.

The son of the late Peter J. and Ruth E. (Hodges) Haigis, Dr. Haigis was born in Foxboro, Massachusetts, April 29, 1916. His father, Dr. Peter J. Haigis, was a native of New Britain, Connecticut and a practicing physician in Foxboro, Massachusetts, until his death in 1941. Ruth E. (Hodges) Haigis was born in Foxboro.

Dr. Haigis attended the public schools of Foxboro and Deerfield Academy at Deerfield, Massachusetts, from which he graduated in 1936. He then matriculated at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery at Kirksville, Missouri, and graduated from this institution in 1940. Dr. Haigis interned at the Donovan Osteopathic Hospital at Raton, New Mexico, and the Forest Hills Hospital at Boston. He began to practice at Scarborough, Maine, in 1944. Dr. Haigis belongs to the Maine Osteopathic Association and the American Osteopathic Association and is a member of the staff of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine at Portland.



He is school physician at Scarboro and a member of the Scarboro Lions Club. Fraternally Dr. Haigis is affiliated with Adair Lodge No. 336, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at Kirksville, Missouri. He and his wife attend the Methodist Church. His favorite recreations are fishing and model railroading.

On November 29, 1941 at Foxboro, Massachusetts, Dr. Haigis was married to Faith E. Stone, a registered nurse, and the daughter of Grant and Mae (Hunt) Stone. Dr. and Mrs. Haigis are the parents of three children: 1. Peter John, born February 20, 1945. 2. Russell Grant, born November 18, 1946. 3. Philip Howard, born April 27, 1948, all born in Portland.

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#### **CAMPBELL, Dr. Harry Horn**

For thirty-two years Dr. Harry Horn Campbell has practiced in Portland as an osteopathic physician. He has been very active in all that concerns the welfare of his profession, serving at various times in the past as president of the Maine Osteopathic Association, a member of the Maine Osteopathic Examining Board, and president and treasurer of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine at Portland.

Dr. Campbell was born in Akron, Ohio, November 12, 1893, the son of Josiah Andrew and Elizabeth (Horn) Campbell, his father being a public safety official. After graduating in 1911 from the Akron High School, Dr. Campbell attended Akron University for two years and then took his professional training at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery, from which he graduated in 1917 with the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy. During World War I, Dr. Campbell attended United States Army Medical School and was in the Army Medical Service, 88th Division, in 1918.

He had begun to practice as an osteopathic physician in Portland in 1917, immediately after finishing his professional training, and upon returning to civilian life in 1918 he again took up his practice, and has practiced continuously in Portland ever since.

Dr. Campbell is a member of the Maine Osteopathic Association, of which he served as president in 1922, and of the New England and the American Osteopathic Associations, and he belongs also to the International Society of Sacro-iliac Technicians. He is a past president and treasurer of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine at Portland, and served as a member of the Osteopathic Examining Board of Maine from 1936 to 1941. Fraternally Dr. Campbell is affiliated with Deering Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Greenleaf Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, St. Albans Commandery, Knights Templar, Maine Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, holding the Thirty-second degree, and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Kora Shrine Club, and also of the Portland Rotary Club and the Woodfords Club. He and his family attend the State Street Congregational Church.

On June 23, 1920 at Uniontown, Ohio, Dr. Campbell was married to Dawn Imogene Swinhart, the daughter of Milo and Emma Swinhart. Dr. and Mrs. Campbell have three children: 1. Harry Horn, Jr., born May 24, 1922. 2. Janet Louise, born November 5, 1923. 3. Laurence Milo, born December 5, 1925.

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#### **HOUGHTON, Ray H.**

Numbered among the older and important industrial firms of Portland, the Southworth Machine Company has as its

vice president in charge of the tractor and road-building division Ray H. Houghton. A native of the Midwest, graduate from an Illinois university, and gaining his experience mainly in Ohio, he came to the Portland corporation in recent years and is one of the progressive citizens of the community.

Ray H. Houghton was born at Peoria, Illinois, on November 13, 1914, son of Bert and Marie (Wheeling) Houghton, both natives of Peoria, his father, now retired, being for years a contractor. Their son was encouraged to acquire a broad general education before starting out on a career, and he attended the Spaulding Preparatory School, at Peoria, before matriculating at Bradley University, also located in Peoria, from which he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree with the class of 1936.

The first employment of note of Ray H. Houghton was with the Caterpillar Tractor Company, of Peoria. This was in 1933, while he was still an undergraduate, and he continued the connection when his university course was completed. He entered the experimental laboratory of this large corporation, and during the World War II period, was manager of the National Lead Company of Van Wert, Ohio. This plant was largely engaged at that time in making war materials for various companies, one of which was the Caterpillar Company. This association of Mr. Houghton's came to an end in 1945, and in that year he came to Portland to take charge of the tractor and road machinery division of the Southworth Machine Company. Since 1946 he has been vice president and a member of the board of directors of this enterprise. He is a popular figure in the business circles of Portland as a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Cumber-

land Club, the Lions Club, and the Portland Country Club, all of the city. He hunts, fishes, and plays golf for recreation, and is becoming increasingly active in community life and affairs.

At Peoria, Illinois, on September 3, 1937, Ray H. Houghton married Mildred S. Hulsebus, daughter of William and Anna Hulsebus, of that city. Mrs. Houghton attended Bradley University, and is a graduate of Sophie Newcomb College, at New Orleans, Louisiana. Mr. and Mrs. Houghton are the parents of two children, both born at Peoria: 1. Stephen William, born in August, 1939. 2. James Richard, born in September, 1942.

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#### **HENRY, George J.**

Not only as a funeral director but as a civic and fraternal leader and public official, George J. Henry serves his community, South Portland. He is the owner and operator of the Henry Funeral Home at 160 Ocean Street, in South Portland. The official positions he has held include membership on the Civil Service Board of the City of South Portland.

Mr. Henry is a native of that city. Born on July 9, 1906, he is the son of Robert N. and Ava M. (Brown) Henry. His father, who was born in New Brunswick Province, Canada, and whose family settled in Portland in the 1870s, was the owner of Richardson-Dana & Company and president of the Deering-Winslow Company, lumber firms of Portland. He died August 23, 1949. The mother was born at Gray, in Cumberland County.

George J. Henry was educated in the elementary and high schools of South Portland. To prepare for the profession in which he has become so successful, he went to the New England Institute of Anatomy and Embalming, in Boston, from which he was graduated in 1927. He







*George J. Henry*



Robert Y. Henry





then formed a partnership with Ralph M. King and established the King and Henry Funeral Home in South Portland. The business flourished, and in 1936 Mr. Henry purchased Mr. King's interest in the home and since then has carried on alone, with ever-increasing success.

Mr. Henry has not been content to give his time entirely to his business. A community-minded individual, he has accepted a role, often as leader, in all civic enterprises. Aside from serving on the South Portland Civil Service Board, he has held such other posts as president of the Kiwanis Club of South Portland and chancellor of the South Portland Lodge of the Knights of Pythias. He is also active in the Cumberland County Fish and Game Association, in the Grange at Cape Elizabeth and is a charter member of the Forest City Rod and Gun Club of South Portland. Fishing and hunting are his favorite sports.

In October, 1930, at Exeter, New Hampshire, Mr. Henry married Isalee Black of Portland. Mrs. Henry is the daughter of Norman A. and Harriet (Knowles) Black of Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Henry are the parents of two children: 1. Roberta Ann, born on December 13, 1931, and, in 1949, a student at South Portland High School. 2. George A. Henry, born on January 23, 1936, a pupil in South Portland's elementary schools. The family home is at 21 Richards Street, South Portland.

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#### HENRY, Robert N.

Extensively engaged in the wholesale and retail lumber business in Portland, the late Robert N. Henry was the owner and operator of Richardson-Dana & Company and president of the Deering-Wins-

low Company, both with headquarters at 326 Commercial Street.

Mr. Henry was born April 30, 1875, at Canobie, New Brunswick, Canada, son of George and Elizabeth (Smith) Henry. The family moved to Portland in 1880. Portland schools provided his early education, and in 1889 he entered the employ of Richardson, Walker and Company, lumber dealers, as an office boy. Subsequent promotions served to acquaint him with the duties of surveying, grading, buying and selling lumber. In fact, he acquired a thorough knowledge of all departments of the business, and finally became a partner in Richardson, Walker and Company in July, 1919. He became the sole owner in April, 1936.

His contribution to this firm had been a substantial one, particularly in recent years. The original firm consisted of the late Robert W. Walker, Cassius D. Richardson and Charles W. Richardson. The organization continued unchanged until Mr. Walker's death about 1896. John W. Dana then purchased the interest of Mr. Walker and became a member of the firm. Later Cassius D. Richardson passed away, whereupon Robert N. Henry bought an interest in the establishment and became a partner, as indicated above. The partners at that time were Charles W. Richardson, John W. Dana and Mr. Henry. After the death of Mr. Richardson in January, 1920, a partnership was formed by Mr. Dana and Mr. Henry, so continuing down to the time of Mr. Dana's death in 1936, at which time Mr. Henry purchased his interest and became then the sole owner of what was Richardson-Dana & Company. The retail lumber activities of the Deering-Winslow Company were acquired by the firm some twenty years ago, and, as noted, Mr.

Henry was its president at the time of his passing, August 23, 1949.

Richardson-Dana & Company rendered outstanding service to users of lumber in times of both war and peace. During World War I and World War II, it supplied shipbuilders with their lumber requirements at all the seaports along the Maine coast. In 1942 it furnished the lumber required for the building of two sets of ways at Bath, and the shipyards at Portland.

In addition to his work with the lumber industry, which had been extensive, Robert N. Henry concerned himself extensively with sports. He was a great fancier of racing horses and deeply interested in sulky races, owning and managing his own stable. He was also the principal owner of the Cornish Fair Grounds at Cornish, the home of his stable.

Robert N. Henry married, in October, 1900, at Portland, Ava M. Brown, daughter of Joseph and Annie (Harris) Brown. They became the parents of the following children, all born in Portland and graduates of South Portland High School: 1. Gertrude, now Mrs. Gertrude (Henry) Seiders, a registered nurse. 2. Eleanor, wife of Frank Stevens, of West Buxton, and mother of a daughter, Earling; also a registered nurse, a graduate of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary. 3. George J. Henry, a biography of whom follows. 4. Maud, wife of Forrest L. Varney, of West Buxton, and mother of their three children, Irving, Robert, and Eleanor Varney.

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#### ALLEN, Samuel N., Jr.

Operating the Allen Laundry Company, in South Portland, Samuel N. Allen, Jr., is one of the outstanding business men in this vicinity. For years this

firm has served the suburban area in and around Portland, and Mr. Allen is widely known and respected.

Mr. Allen was born April 16, 1917, son of the late Samuel N. and Mabel (Gratto) Allen. His father, a native of Portland, was for many years engaged in the laundry business in this area until his death in 1943. The mother passed away in 1935.

Public schools in Portland, his birthplace, furnished the early formal education of Samuel N. Allen, Jr., who was graduated from Deering High School, in this city. He then became associated with his father in the conduct of the Allen Laundry Company. The elder Mr. Allen had established this company in Portland in 1898. The first site of operations was at Cross and Fore streets, Portland. In 1907 the firm moved to Rosemont, a suburb, where operations continued on a substantial scale until the removal to South Portland in 1940. The present quarters are at 634 Main Street, on Route No. 1. The company conducts a special "drive-in" service at a 20 per cent discount rate, which is proclaimed by a large sign in front of its two-story brick building. The elder Mr. Allen retired in 1935, whereupon Samuel N. Allen, Jr., assumed more active duties in the management. Eventually the son succeeded to the ownership of the company, which is in his hands today.

Along with his own business undertakings, Mr. Allen is active in several social and civic institutions, among them the South Portland Kiwanis Club and Ralph E. Caldwell Post of the American Legion, in which his wife is a member of the women's auxiliary. During World War II Mr. Allen was a first-class seaman in the Navy. He is a member of the Roman Catholic Church. Hunting and fish-



ing are his favorite sparetime occupations.

In Portland, October 8, 1938, Samuel N. Allen, Jr., married Edna Tibbetts, of this city, daughter of Philip and Anna L. (McDonnell) Tibbetts. They became the parents of two children: 1. Samuel N., 3rd, born June 13, 1940, in Portland. 2. Sheila, born January 9, 1944, in Portland.

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#### **STANLEY, James G.**

As president and treasurer of the Stanley & Cadigan Company of Portland, dealers in construction equipment and tools, James G. Stanley heads a business that covers the State of Maine and is well known in the construction field throughout New England.

He was born February 3, 1914 in Bangor, the son of Arthur C. and Clarice C. (Getchell) Stanley. His father is president of Cook & Company of Portland, dealers in ready-mix concrete, building stone and related products. Mr. Stanley's family moved to Portland in 1924, when he was ten years old. His parents are natives of Bar Harbor.

Mr. Stanley attended the grade schools of Bangor and Portland and Deering High School in Portland, of which he is a graduate. Ever since leaving school he has been associated with the construction equipment business. The firm of Stanley & Cadigan Company was established in 1938, Mr. Stanley becoming its president and treasurer. It does business throughout the State of Maine, handling construction equipment and tools and being a member of the Associated Equipment Distributors.

During World War II he served for three years in the United States Army, being stationed in the European theater. He is a member of the American Legion

Post at Falmouth and also of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, at Portland. He belongs to the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Portland Yacht Club, his hobbies being boating, fishing and hunting. He is a member of the Woodfords Congregational Church.

On February 7, 1942 at Portland James G. Stanley was married to Mildred H. Holland of Portland, the daughter of William and Mary (Cavanaugh) Holland. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley have five children, all born at Portland: James, Arthur, William, Donald, and Sandra.

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#### **GREGWARE, Dr. Paul A.**

Dr. Paul A. Gregware, osteopathic physician of Bath, Maine, and the founder of the Bath Osteopathic Hospital, has since 1946 been conducting a practice in South Portland, specializing in physiotherapy and rehabilitation work. Dr. Gregware was formerly a member of the State Board of Health.

He was born on July 28, 1903 in Barre, Vermont, the son of Oria I. and Ida Mae (Cutts) Gregware. His father, who was a native of Sherbrooke, Canada and a contractor and builder by trade, died in 1944. His mother, a native of Barre, died in 1942. Dr. Gregware graduated from the Boston High School of Commerce in 1918 and attended Talbot Preparatory School at Claremont, New Hampshire, in 1919-1920. He then studied at Boston University in 1920-1921 and took his professional training at the Massachusetts College of Osteopathy, where he graduated in February, 1925, with the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy. He interned at Boston City Hospital and the Cambridge Lying-in Hospital. From 1926 to 1944 Dr. Gregware practiced as an osteopathic physician in Bath. During this period he served as city physician of



Bath from 1927 to 1935 and as a member of the Maine Board of Health from 1927 to 1930, and in 1935 he founded the Bath Osteopathic Hospital.

Dr. Gregware came to South Portland in 1946 and has been practicing there since that date, with an office at 138 Ocean Street. He is a member of the Maine Osteopathic Association and the American Osteopathic Association. Dr. Gregware is a member of the osteopathic college fraternity Iota Tau Sigma, and he is affiliated with the Bath Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He makes a hobby of horses, and has a number of fine show and saddle horses. In addition to horseback riding his favorite recreations are fishing and hunting.

On March 19, 1927 at Portland he married Gladys Ellen Bickle of Bath, the daughter of Henry and Ellen Bickle. Dr. and Mrs. Gregware are the parents of two children: 1. Paul A. Gregware, Jr., born at Bath in May, 1928. He is a graduate of Bridgton Academy and in June, 1949 graduated from the Maine Maritime Academy. 2. Nancy Ann Gregware, born in October, 1929, at Bath, a graduate of South Portland High School and now attending Mount Ida College at Wellesley, Massachusetts. She is preparing to be a transcontinental airline stewardess.

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#### **BOULOS, Edward S.**

For forty years Edward S. Boulos of Portland has devoted himself to the electrical industry. The tangible fruits of this long association is the E. S. Boulos Company, firm of electrical contractors, one of the leaders in its field throughout the state. Equally significant and rewarding, however, is the standing which Mr. Boulos has earned among his col-

leagues. He was one of the organizers of the Electrical Associates of Maine; and among the public at large his skill is sufficiently well-known to have insured the constant growth of his contracting establishment, which has recently moved to more spacious quarters at 21 Center Street.

Although typically American in his attitudes and in the use of that invaluable ingredient, initiative, in the upbuilding of his business enterprise, Mr. Boulos is a native of Mount Lebanon, Syria, where he was born in 1895. His mother died during his early childhood years, and at the age of four he was brought by his father to this country. He attended public schools in this country, but his formal schooling was of brief duration, for at the age of thirteen, E. S. Boulos became interested in finding himself a position. There were in Portland, whither he and his father had moved, two electrical contractors, and the young lad determined that this was a practical trade with a future, in which he might well invest his energies. He applied for employment at the firm of York and Boothby. Harry Blanchard, then superintendent, received his application, and his early career in the electrical industry was launched. As a youth of size befitting his age, he recalls that on one occasion, his employers were called by a South Portland contractor, because the latter needed a man small enough to get in between a ceiling and a flat roof, to install wires. Young Boulos was sent to fill the assignment.

During the early years, however, most of his work was in the shop, learning the rudiments of the electrical contracting trade. The firm bought its own parts, built its own fixtures, and finished them. Mr. Boulos first assisted in giving a pleasing finish, of lacquer or brass plat-



*Edward S Boulos*





ing, to the fixtures. He later worked on the bench, wiring and assembling. There was less specialization in the industry than there is today, when the electrical contractor buys the fixtures ready for installation from his wholesaler. But this experience was invaluable in developing Mr. Boulos' thorough knowledge of his field.

The first wiring job on which Mr. Boulos was delegated was in connection with electrical installations at the Cumberland County Court House in Portland. This was during the period which old-time contractors refer to as the "knob and tube" days. Most of the work was in connection with lighting, and the use of direct current was still prevalent, although alternating current was beginning to make its appearance. Years later—quite recently in fact—Mr. Boulos, in a manner of speaking, completed his job at the Cumberland County Court House by making the last changeover necessary for a complete alternating current system.

Another early contract in which Mr. Boulos had a hand was the wiring for the city hall in Portland which replaced the one destroyed by fire in 1908. He also worked on the present Masonic Temple. He was gradually being accorded more responsibility, so that at this time he was beginning to be put in charge of the installation crews.

After five years in the employ of York and Boothby, Mr. Boulos worked with M. A. Fessenden, by whom he was assigned out-of-town work, and was later employed by W. W. McKenney, who had started out in his own name after a period as Boulos' co-employee at York and Boothby. In 1919 Mr. Boulos became an instructor for the Veterans' Administration, teaching electricity at a vocational school in Portland. He also conducted

night classes in the electrical department of Portland High School.

Mr. Boulos began his own business in 1921. His first location was a second-floor shop at 499½ Congress Street, and at that time he chose the firm name of E. S. Boulos Company, which has been retained to the present time. He was one of the first dealers in Portland to add radios to his line, selling a number of the early crystal sets. These carried his company's own name; but when the technological advances made by specialization and big industry claimed the field, he handled commercial sets, as early as 1928, and in that year and the next won the Atwater-Kent prize for selling more radios of that make than any other dealer in the state of Maine. Mr. Boulos still occasionally receives at his establishment, to be repaired, radios he sold during this period. After two years of expansion, the firm moved its business to 9 Casco Street, where it remained throughout the 1930s. Mr. Boulos' account of his firm's management during these years is expressed in the words: "We got hurt like any other business, but we managed to pull through by tightening our belt." At a time of wholesale bank closings in his city, this in itself was a difficult feat. During this period, Mr. Boulos was responsible for the elaborate wiring contracts in several theaters, where concealed lighting was used for the first time in his vicinity.

In 1940 the firm removed to 52 Free Street, where it has remained until recent removal to more commodious quarters at 21 Center Street. There, the firm has available eighteen thousand square feet of floor space, which should be sufficient even with the present large scale of operations, considering that Mr. Boulos' office is maintaining its Free Street location. There will also be a show and

sales room for radios and appliances. The firm at present employs as many as seventy-five men, and his contracts cover all parts of the state, and much of New Hampshire. One of his largest wartime contracts was the Long Island Fuel Depot in Portland Harbor, where fifty thousand feet of underground duct, and transmission lines carrying in excess of four thousand volts were installed. The entire project required seventeen months. Mr. Boulos was also responsible for the electrical aspects of the Navy receiving station at Great Diamond Island, installations in Portland Harbor, a naval station at Bar Harbor, a radar station, a radio station at Winter Harbor, and electrical work on fuel tank farms at Brunswick, Auburn and Sanford. He installed a high-frequency heat-treatment system at the Bancroft and Martin Rolling Mill, South Portland; wired the Mercy Hospital in 1943; and has done much installation for Sears and Roebuck and Maine Central Railroad, college campuses and libraries, publishing and broadcasting establishments. Working conditions for E. S. Boulos Company were particularly difficult during the years of World War II, due to the shortage of skilled help.

Today the E. S. Boulos Company is about the largest electrical contracting concern north of Boston. The company has become recognized in the northeastern section as one of the leading electrical contractors and has made some of the outstanding electrical installations in the area.

Mr. Boulos has been active in civic affairs. He was elected a trustee of the Portland Water District in 1930, and has been since re-elected three times, twice without opposition. He was chairman of the memorial gifts committee at the time the addition was being made to

Mercy Hospital. In connection with his trade, he was a leader in the organizing of the Electrical Associates of Maine, of which he is a past president. In 1945 he was appointed by Governor Horace Hil-dreth as a member of the Greater Portland Public Development Commission, which was empowered to purchase the west yard of the South Portland Ship-building Corporation from the United States Maritime Commission.

In 1916 Edward S. Boulos married Mary Josephine Kilmartin, of Portland, and they became the parents of six children: 1. Joseph S., who was a squadron navigator with the United States Army Air Force during World War II, and lost his life in a takeoff crash in England, while on his twenty-ninth mission over enemy territory. 2. Edward S., Jr., who also served in the air arm during World War II, stationed in the Pacific for twenty-six months with the United States Marine Corps. He is now associated with E. S. Boulos Company. 3. Mrs. Mary J. Cullinan. 4. James. 5. Elizabeth. 6. Dorothy. The family resides at 964 Forest Avenue in Portland.

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#### **BOWERS, Dr. Warren H.**

Osteopathic physician of Westbrook, Maine, and a member of the staff of the Maine Osteopathic Hospital at Portland, Dr. Warren H. Bowers was born in Roxbury, Massachusetts, the son of John and Flora H. (Hoyt) Bowers. His father was an auditor in Boston.

A graduate of the Everett, Massachusetts, High School, Dr. Bowers attended Kirksville College of Osteopathy in Kirksville, Missouri, where he received the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy in 1936. He interned in the Boston City Hospital in 1936-1937, and in 1937 established a practice at Westbrook, where



he has been active since. Dr. Bowers is a member of the staff of the Maine Osteopathic Hospital at Portland.

Fraternally Dr. Bowers is affiliated with the Warren Phillips Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at Cumberland Mills, with Eagle Chapter, Royal Arch Masons at Westbrook, St. Albans Commandery, Knights Templar at Portland, and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Lewiston. He is a member of the Westbrook Lions Club and formerly served as its president. Dr. Bowers' favorite recreations are golf and fishing.

In November, 1946, at Westbrook, Dr. Bowers married Faith Farnham, the daughter of Mrs. Sadis Farnham of Augusta. A son by a former marriage, Bruce, was born in Augusta in February, 1943.

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#### **OLESEN, Christian, Jr.**

Christian Olesen, Jr., holds the offices of treasurer and general manager of Farrar-Brown Company of Portland, dealers in automobile parts and equipment, records and electrical appliances. Farrar-Brown Company also has six branch stores located in Presque Isle, Houlton, Waterville, Augusta, Rockland, and Biddeford, under the same management.

Mr. Olesen was born in Weyenaar, Denmark on December 19, 1898, the son of Christian and Christine (Andresen) Olesen. His father was a carpenter and cabinet maker. The Olesen family came to the United States and settled at Portland in 1904. Christian Olesen, Jr. attended the Portland public schools but had no formal education beyond grade school, going to work at an early age and winning his way through intelligence and hard work. His first employment was as

errand boy for J. E. Palmer, a Portland merchant. He then was apprenticed as a bookbinder with the George D. Loring Printing Company, and then for a time was a clerk in the A. H. Berry Shoe Company store.

In 1918 at the age of twenty, Mr. Olesen entered the employ of the Farrar-Brown Company, with which he is now associated as treasurer and general manager. He served in various capacities until 1930, when he assumed the offices he now holds. Mrs. Olesen is president of the Farrar-Brown Company. Mr. Olesen is a past director of the Motor and Equipment Wholesalers Association, a national trade organization. He is a member of the Portland Kiwanis Club, and in 1940 served as its president. He belongs also to the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Woodfords Club, the Cumberland Club, the Portland Round Table, the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Maine Historical Association. Fraternally he is affiliated with Ancient Landmarks Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Greenleaf Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Portland Commandery, Knights Templar, and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and belongs to the Kora Shrine Club and also to the Royal Order of Jesters. Mr. Olesen and his family are members of the Woodfords Congregational Church. His chief recreation is camping at Highland Lake.

At Fort Fairfield, Maine, Christian Olesen, Jr., was married to Velma F. Chapman, daughter of Judson Chapman and the late Fannie (Everett) Chapman. Mr. and Mrs. Olesen are the parents of two daughters: 1. Anna E., born in Portland May 1, 1922, a graduate of Deering High School in Portland and of Lasell Junior College at Auburndale,



Massachusetts. She married Francis W. McCurtain of Shawno, Wisconsin, who served as chief petty officer in the United States Coast Guard during World War II. They have one daughter, Marcia Ann. 2. Shirley M., born in Portland June 10, 1929, a graduate of Deering High School in Portland and of the class of 1949 at Lasell Junior College at Auburndale, Massachusetts.

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#### ALLEN, Ralph L.

In the long ago, people in the northern states, for the most part, confined their demand for flowers to the warm months. Later the greenhouse grower supplied blooms and plants twelve months of the year. In modern times the city florist furnishes almost any flower, and delivers them almost everywhere. He has the world to draw upon, and harnesses the express, airplane, the telegraph to accomplish his purpose. Ralph L. Allen, owner and operator of the Vose-Smith Company, florists of Portland, maintains thoroughly modern service and equipment. He has a store on Congress Street, and his greenhouses in the city area, but is not limited by local supplies or delivery to customers in the community, or even in the East.

Born at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, on September 1, 1903, Ralph L. Allen is the son of Wellington and Rachel (Hutchins) Allen. His paternal grandfather, Charles Allen, was a veteran of the War Between the States, and a native of Maine. A grandmother came originally from Massachusetts. Ralph L. Allen was graduated from the Portsmouth grammar and high schools, class of 1921, and matriculated at the University of New Hampshire, where he received his degree with the class of 1926.

His first business connection of importance began shortly after leaving college, when he became associated with the Portsmouth Flower Shop, in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Here he put in busy years until 1943, learning the details of the florist's business.

On January 19, 1943, Ralph L. Allen purchased the Vose-Smith Company, and later in that same year bought the Sawyer Greenhouse in Portland. As proprietor, he is able to supply the flower market with a wide variety of productions from his own establishment, and of course gets supplies from all over the United States, and from as far distant as the Hawaiian Islands. He is allied with the Flower Telegraph organization, and thereby can have orders delivered to many cities in the United States. In accord with his ideas of keeping abreast of the times in floriculture and flower distribution, Mr. Allen is a member of the New England Florists Association, of which he is a director, and of the Maine State Florists Association. He enters many phases of community life as a member of the Portland Club, the Executives Club of the city, and is a member and a director of the Reciprocity Club. Fraternally he is affiliated with St. Andrews Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Portsmouth. He attends the State Street Congregational Church.

Ralph L. Allen married Helen M. Duncan, who was born in New Haven, Connecticut, daughter of Charles Duncan and Jessie (Butchard) Duncan, both of whom are deceased. She is a graduate of the Portsmouth grammar and high schools, class of 1931. Mr. and Mrs. Allen are the parents of two children, both born in Portland: 1. Donna Elaine, born March 29, 1945. 2. Ralph Leonard, Jr., born May 8, 1947.





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**WINCHENBACH, Walter W.**

Engaged in the distribution of rubber goods, wholesale and retail, Walter W. Winchenbach is president of the Portland Rubber Company, one of Portland's oldest business establishments. This company, founded in 1889 and incorporated six years later, now handles an extensive line of rainproof clothing and druggists' rubber sundries as distributors for the B. F. Goodrich Mechanical Rubber Company.

Mr. Winchenbach was born May 25, 1889, in Thomaston, Maine, son of William and Annie N. (Winslow) Winchenbach. His father was a native of Waldoboro, and was a shoemaker by trade. The mother was also a native of Waldoboro. Both are now deceased.

Walter W. Winchenbach attended public schools at Thomaston, and, after graduation from high school, came to Portland in 1912. Between 1912 and 1914, he was associated with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company as a stock clerk. He became a clerk with the Portland Rubber Company in 1914, and in 1920 became a partner in the business. Sixteen years later, in 1936, he acquired the full ownership of the company, continuing as its sole proprietor today and its president and treasurer.

Aside from making important business strides in his association with the Portland Rubber Company, he has been connected with the New England Rubber Flooring Company since its founding and incorporation in 1927. This company, a subsidiary of the Portland Rubber Company, deals in asphalt, tile, and wood flooring, as well as in linoleum and "Mas-tipave." He is president and treasurer of this architectural floor company which has its headquarters also at 259 Middle Street, the home of the parent company.

Mr. Winchenbach is also a contributor to many branches of Portland's business, civic and social life. He is a director of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and a director and past president of the Portland Lions Club. In 1945 he became an organizer of the South Portland Board of Industry, of which he has been president since that time. In the same year he became a member of the Greater Portland Public Development Commission, to which he was re-appointed in August, 1948. Mr. Winchenbach is a former member of the South Portland Board of Education and president of the board of trustees of the Peoples' Methodist Church of South Portland. He belongs to the United Commercial Travelers and Hiram Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in South Portland. During World War I he was associated with the 240th Depot Brigade Corps, and he was first vice commander of Stewart P. Morrill Post of the American Legion in South Portland.

Walter W. Winchenbach married, November 10, 1917, Helen S. Nixon of South Portland, daughter of Robert and Annie M. (Seeley) Nixon, both natives of South Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Winchenbach became the parents of three children: 1. Robert N., born April 10, 1922, graduate from South Portland High School and Port Trumbull School as well as several regional schools. During World War II he was with the Merchant Marine for the duration of hostilities, and he is now first officer in the United States Merchant Marine, stationed in Arabia. 2. Priscilla Anna, born April 13, 1925, graduated from South Portland High School, and received the Bachelor of Arts degree cum laude in 1945 from the University of New Hampshire. On June 21, 1947 she became the wife of Perley G. Edgecomb of South Portland, who was a sergeant in the

Army for three years during World War II, stationed in the European Theater of Operations. 3. Richard Paul, born February 22, 1927, in South Portland, who left high school to enter the Navy in which he served honorably for two years. He then attended Bridgton Academy, and is now a student at Bryant College, Providence, Rhode Island.

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**WIGHT, Dr. Donald G.**

Practicing physician and surgeon at South Portland, Dr. Donald G. Wight, the former city physician and health officer of South Portland and present school physician, was born at Bolster's Mills in Cumberland County, Maine, November 6, 1896. His father, Dr. Edward Archer Wight, was a native of Casco, but his family moved to Gorham, New Hampshire, shortly after his birth. Dr. Edward Archer Wight was a graduate of Bowdoin Medical School in the class of 1890. He practiced at Bolster's Mills until his death in 1945. His wife was a native of Bolster's Mills, and theirs was one of the pioneer families of that place.

Graduating from the South Paris High School, Donald G. Wight attended Bates College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1921. Two years later he graduated from Klien's School of Optometry. For a number of years before taking his medical training, Dr. Wight was employed as a school-teacher. He taught school and served as principal of the high schools at Exeter, New Hampshire, Buxton and Andover, Maine, and of Greeley Institute at Cumberland Center. He also taught at Bath High School and at West Buxton. In this way he helped to pay the expenses of his education. He attended Tufts Medical School and in 1935 received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from this

institution. Dr. Wight interned at the Maine General Hospital in Portland. He practiced in Westbrook for the year of 1936-1937, and in 1937 opened up a practice in South Portland, where he has been active ever since.

Dr. Wight is a member of the staff of the Maine General Hospital and of the Maine Eye and Ear Hospital in Portland. He served for eight years as city physician and health officer of the city of South Portland and is now school physician in South Portland. He belongs to the Portland Medical Club, the Cumberland Medical Society and the American Medical Association. Fraternally Dr. Wight is affiliated with Crooked River Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at Bolster's Mills; Portland Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, at Portland; and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Lewiston. He holds the Thirty-second degree in the Masonic order. Dr. Wight is a member of Stewart P. Morrill Post No. 35, American Legion, in South Portland. During World War I Dr. Wight, who enlisted in July, 1917, was attached to the Milliken Regiment of Heavy Artillery and later transferred to the 101st Engineers 26th Division of the United States Army, serving overseas and receiving his discharge on January 19, 1919. Dr. Wight is a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Portland. His favorite recreations are fly fishing and golf.

At Portland on June 23, 1926 Dr. Wight was married to Edna Frances Hughes, the daughter of Lee and Susan (Rines) Hughes. Mrs. Wight is a graduate of Bates College in the class of 1921 and taught school prior to her marriage.

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**TYLER, Roland R. H.**

Division Manager of the American Oil



Company in charge of the company's business in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont with headquarters at Portland, Roland R. H. Tyler has been associated with the petroleum industry for more than thirty years. Since coming to Portland in 1933, Mr. Tyler has made a very real place for himself in the civic and social life of the city and he is a member of many local organizations.

He was born August 21, 1893 in Wallingford, Connecticut, the son of William Nelson and Anna Elizabeth (Bundock) Tyler, both now deceased. His father, who was a farmer, was a native of Wallingford, and his mother was a native of St. Luke's, Province of Quebec, Canada.

After attending the public schools of his native Wallingford, Mr. Tyler found employment in the oil industry. After about five years with other concerns he became associated with the American Oil Company as a branch manager at Hartford, Connecticut, in 1924. After filling various other posts, he went to Boston in 1930 as assistant division manager of the company's New England Division. Three years later, in 1933, he came to Portland as division manager of Northern New England, in charge of the company's business in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. He has ably filled this post ever since. Mr. Tyler is a member of the Maine Petroleum Industries Committee. He is a director and past treasurer of the Maine Publicity Bureau, a director of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Planning Board of the city of Portland and of the Recreational Development Committee of the New England Council, and a director of Mercy Hospital, in Portland. He belongs to the Propellor Club, Woodfords Club and the Cumberland Club.

On September 26, 1912 at Wallingford,

Connecticut, he married Anne E. Carroll, the daughter of Owen and Alice (Kelly) Carroll. Mr. and Mrs. Tyler have a daughter, Carol Mabel Tyler, born in Hartford, Connecticut, February 9, 1918. She is a graduate of Deering High School and Westbrook Junior College in Portland. She married Captain Logan Bullitt of Falmouth Foreside, Maine, and they have two children: 1. Terry, born December 24, 1942. 2. Anne, born September 16, 1947, both at Portland.

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#### **SCHULTZ, Frederick C.**

Frederick C. Schultz, who holds the office of president of the Portland Pipe Line Corporation, heads one of the very modern developments in Portland, and during his residency in the city has become constructively associated with civic affairs and business organizations. He is one of the many men attracted to Maine by the opportunities it offers to the enterprising, and has become one of its "boosters," keenly interested in the publicity campaigns that advertise its qualities to the rest of the United States.

Mr. Schultz was born in New York City, on December 29, 1896, son of Charles and Henrietta (Ahrens) Schultz, and was educated in the grammar schools of the metropolitan area, and Dickerson High School, of Jersey City, New Jersey, of which he is a graduate. In 1914 he joined the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, and through the following three decades served this corporation in numerous capacities in the United States, Mexico and South America. In 1941 while the Portland-Montreal pipe line was under construction, Mr. Schultz came to Portland; and when in November, 1941, the line started operating, it was a great day in the annals of Portland



and of Mr. Schultz, president of the Portland Pipe Line Corporation.

While a story of the Portland-Montreal Pipe line is included in the early volumes of "Modern Maine," the following information concerning it is in order. The Pipe Line was completed during 1941 as a defense measure to provide year-round deliveries of crude oil to four refineries in Montreal. Previously these refineries received deliveries direct by tanker during seven months only, due to the St. Lawrence River being ice-bound during the five winter months. The pipe line also eliminates approximately a two-thousand-mile round-trip by tanker, a factor of particular importance during the war when there was a shortage of ships. If another war occurs this line will undoubtedly be operated as a war emergency facility. The pipe line was constructed and financed in 1941 by the Standard Oil Company (New Jersey). During 1946 that company sold its entire interest in the system to the four Canadian companies which own and operate the four refineries in Montreal, to which deliveries of crude oil are made from the terminus of the pipe line. These four companies, The British American Oil Company, Ltd., Imperial Oil, Ltd., McColl-Frontenac Oil Company, Ltd., and the Shell Oil Company of Canada, Ltd., are the present stockholders of the Portland Pipe Line Corporation which owns and operates the section of the pipe line from South Portland, Maine, to the international boundary at North Troy, Vermont. The deliveries of the pipe line rose from 7,157,501 barrels in 1942 to 24,219,000 barrels in 1948.

Despite the heavy responsibilities of his position as president of the Portland Pipe Line Corporation, Mr. Schultz is active in other and more personal inter-

ests. He is a member of the Portland Rotary Club, the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Maine State Chamber of Commerce, and the Portland Country Club.

Frederick C. Schultz married on July 20, 1925, Tora Johnson of New York City, daughter of Charles and Gertrude (Cherline) Johnson.

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#### **LAUGHLIN, K. Alexander, M.D.**

In a calling in which progress is dependent upon natural abilities, thorough technical education and constant study, Dr. K. Alexander Laughlin has won substantial success. As a physician, specialist in obstetrics and gynecology, his whole career has been achieved in Portland, where he has rendered excellent services as a professional man and is engaged in varied community activities.

Born at Gorham, New Hampshire, on October 19, 1908, K. Alexander Laughlin is the son of Harry F. and Sarah D. (Bolton) Laughlin. The family removed to Portland when the son was an infant, and in the Portland grade and high schools he was prepared for higher education. Matriculating at the University of Maine, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree with the class of 1930, and went to the University of Michigan for his professional studies. Graduated a Doctor of Medicine, in 1935, he was an intern in the Cleveland, Ohio, City Hospital, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, and the Baltimore City Hospital. In 1936-1937, he did postgraduate work in Vienna, Germany, and England, and from 1938 to 1941 he was an instructor in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Iowa Medical School.

It was therefore with ample preparations and experience that in 1938, Dr. Laughlin established himself as an ob-



K. Alexander Laughlin





stetrician and gynecologist in Portland, a most welcome addition to the professional group of the city, and an increasingly active specialist. He serves on the staffs of the Maine General Hospital, the Maine Eye and Ear Hospital, and the Mercy Hospital. During World War II, Dr. Laughlin proffered his services to the Armed Forces, and was a Flight Surgeon with the United States Air Corps, with the rank of major. His course of duty, which extended from May, 1942, to May, 1945, took him to such far distant countries as India, Burma, and China. In line with his idea of maintaining close contact with colleagues and developments in his profession, Dr. Laughlin is a member of the American Medical Association, the Maine State Medical Association, the Cumberland County Medical Society, the Portland Medical Club, the New England Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology and a Diplomate of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. His medical fraternity is Phi Chi, and his social fraternity is Phi Kappa Sigma, University of Maine. He is affiliated with the Ancient Landmark Lodge, of Portland, Free and Accepted Masons, and belongs to the Portland Country Club. He attends St. Luke's Cathedral.

On December 15, 1941, at Nashville, Tennessee, Dr. K. Alexander Laughlin married Barbara Ellen Files, daughter of Dr. Ernest Woodbury and Mrs. Mabel B. (Haskell) Files. Dr. and Mrs. Laughlin are the parents of two sons, both born in Portland: 1. Kent A., who was born September 9, 1945. 2. Jeffery Scott, who was born November 22, 1946. Mrs. Laughlin is a well-known professional woman in her own right. Having graduated from Wellesley College as Bachelor of Arts, in 1935; the Katharine Gibbs School, Boston, and the University of New Hamp-

shire, she entered the Portland Law School, where she was graduated with the class of 1940, a Bachelor of Laws, cum laude. A member of the Cumberland County bar, she also has entered public affairs, and was chairman of the Maine Cancer Drive, 1947-1948. She is a member of the Junior League of Portland and president of the Service League of St. Lukes.

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#### **VAN GUNDY, Grant**

During the twenty years and more that Grant Van Gundy has been connected with the business and civic life of Portland, he has become well known for his activities as the owner of the American Gear Company of Portland, Inc., and for his constructive activities as a progressive citizen and supporter of projects promoting the best interests of the Portland area.

A native of Ellsworth, Illinois, Grant Van Gundy was born January 14, 1888, son of William and Sarah (Irwin) Van Gundy, both of whom are deceased and lie buried in Ellsworth. The mother was a native of Lawrenceville, Illinois. The father was a man of affairs in Illinois, where he operated a grocery, provision and grain elevator business, and at one time or another was postmaster, justice of the peace, and a lawyer of Ellsworth. He also was a veteran of the War Between the States, having served with the rank of captain on the staff of General Ulysses S. Grant. So greatly was the General venerated, that when a son was born to William Van Gundy, he named him Grant.

Grant Van Gundy attended local grammar schools and was graduated from the Bloomington, Illinois, High School. One of his early employments was that of a clerk and soda-water dispenser in a con-

fectionery store. Before he became of age he had his first job of importance, in association with C. W. Klemm, wholesale men's furnishings and overalls. After being an office man with this firm from 1908 to 1911, he began as a traveling salesman for the Klemm firm, and so continued until 1927.

In 1927 Mr. Van Gundy settled in Portland, where he became part owner of the American Gear Company, Inc., of the city. His selling experience was his chief personal contribution to the business which prospered and grew. In 1934 he acquired the control of the outstanding stock of the corporation, and took upon his own shoulders the responsibilities of secretary and treasurer. Since 1936 Leo P. Murphy has been manager of the Forest Avenue store in Portland. Richard Grant Van Gundy, son, is currently manager of the South Portland branch. The trade name, American Gear Company of Portland, Inc., hardly represents the business of the firm to a stranger, for it is engaged in furnishing "parts for all cars," to repeat its slogan. In particular, the company is equipped to supply a complete machine shop service that is exceptionally wide in scope. Above thirty people are employed. Mr. and Mrs. Van Gundy and their family are members of the Williston Congregational Church, at Portland. The favorite recreations of Mr. Van Gundy are bowling and golf.

At Bloomington, Illinois, on March 10, 1914, Grant Van Gundy married Mae L. Shireman, a native of this city, daughter of Willis and Ina (Baker) Shireman. Mr. and Mrs. Van Gundy are the parents of two children: 1. Richard Grant, who was born at Bloomington, Illinois, September 16, 1920. He is a graduate of the Newton, Massachusetts, grade and

high schools, and of Tufts College with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Economics. He is now associated with his father as manager of the South Portland branch of the American Gear Company of Portland, Inc. During World War II he served in the Air Force, United States Navy, first with the rank of ensign, and at the time of his honorable discharge as a lieutenant senior grade, an instructor in instrument flying. He married, October 26, 1946, Phyllis Pierce, of Lemont, Illinois, and they have a daughter Gail Ann, born in Portland, January 19, 1948. 2. Marilyn Mae, born at Bloomington, August 14, 1925. A graduate of Newton grade and high schools, she took the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Mount Holyoke College, with the class of 1947. She married, June 24, 1948, Wayne S. Underhill of Newtonville, Massachusetts, a graduate of Newton public and high schools, now attending Yale University, class of 1950. Mr. Underhill is a veteran of World War II, holding the rank of sergeant in the United States Marines.

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#### **HARMON, Albert M.**

One of those fortunate men who early in life chose the vocation of which they can make a career, Albert M. Harmon is well and favorably known in the insurance business in Maine and Portland, the city of which he is a native son. He has been largely responsible for the introduction of hospital and medical protection of organizations, individuals and groups in the state, and in the field of general insurance is the Maine agent of a large number of local agents. Constructive citizenship ranks high in his philosophy of life, and these civic and community activities make for the best interests of Portland.

Born in Portland, Maine, on August







*Samuel R. Curtis*

20, 1907, Albert M. Harmon is the son of Arthur and Ethel Mae (Lord) Harmon, his mother being a native of Freeport. His father, born in Mechanic Falls, Maine, was a telegrapher for the Associated Press in Portland for almost thirty years prior to his passing. His son was encouraged to acquire a broad education, and prepared for college in the Portland High School, from which he was graduated in 1925. Entering the University of Maine, he received the degree Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics, class of 1929. Albert M. Harmon had participated in various campus activities and enjoyed undergraduate life. He launched his business career, however, in the year of financial panic, 1929, and until 1932 was an employee of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Corporation, as traffic manager in Portland. In 1932 he became an agency cashier in Portland with the Home Life Insurance Company, and had decided that here was a line of opportunity and of hard, demanding work. From 1934 to 1936 he was insurance supervisor of the Home Owners Loan Corporation.

In 1936 Albert M. Harmon launched his present business wherein he has specialized in accident and sickness insurance and in establishing the Blue Cross, Blue Star, hospital and surgical plans and a community plan of prepaid surgery benefits. As Maine representative he has supervision over some one hundred and eighty local agents throughout the State. He also is a director of the Vermont Accident Company, of Rutland, Vermont, and now is vice president of that corporation. Realizing full well the advantage of keeping in contact with insurance men and organizations, Mr. Harmon is a member of the National Association of Insurance Agents, National Life Insurance

Agents, the Maine Insurance Agents Association, and the Cumberland Board of Fire Underwriters. Community interests include those in the Woodfords Club of the city, the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Portland Society of Art. Fraternally he is affiliated with Delta Tau Delta fraternity. In Masonry he is a member of Mechanics Lodge No. 66, at Orono; is a Thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and member of Kora Temple, at Portland, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to Ivanhoe Lodge, Knights of Pythias. A favorite recreation is photography.

At Portland, May 20, 1931, Albert M. Harmon married Laura P. Dickson, daughter of Frank L. and Hattie (Hall) Dickson. Mrs. Harmon is a graduate of Deering High School, attended Gorham Normal School, and is a graduate of Miss Leslie's Kindergarten School, at Cambridge, Massachusetts. Mr. Harmon is the father of a son: Peter Albert, who was born February 2, 1942, a student at Hazelton School, Portland.

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#### **ACETO, Samuel**

As president and treasurer of the general contracting firm of Samuel Aceto & Company, a prosperous Portland concern which he established in a small way in 1928, Samuel Aceto is a fine example of success achieved through purpose and industry.

He was born in Portland, May 3, 1907, the son of the late Camillo and Mary (Cerroni) Aceto. His father was a construction superintendent for several large contractors in Portland, and it was from him that Mr. Aceto learned masonry and building construction.

After attending the Portland elementary schools and Deering High School,



Samuel Aceto served his apprenticeship in the construction industry under his father. Then, in 1928, he went into the construction business for himself in a modest fashion as masonry contractor, and from this beginning developed what is today a flourishing general contracting business.

Mr. Aceto is a member of the Portland Exchange Club; the Portland Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is a past officer; and the Portland Club. He is a Fourth degree Knight of Columbus and a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church. Mr. Aceto's hobbies are all sports, particularly baseball and sulky racing. He takes great pride in Portland's professional baseball team, the Portland Pilots, of which he is president and majority stockholder, and devotes considerable time and attention to baseball. He is well known in sports circles in New England.

Samuel Aceto married (first) Ina Lorraine Hendrickson. They are the parents of a son, Thomas, born June 19, 1927, now associated with his father. He is a graduate of Deering High School, where he was an outstanding athlete, and attended Portland Junior College. On June 23, 1935, Samuel Aceto married (second) Edith E. Austin. They are the parents of two adopted children: Joan, born June 2, 1938; and Robert, born October 21, 1943.

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#### **TILLOU, Frank M.**

During the seventeen years that Frank M. Tillou has been superintendent of the Texas Company, in Portland, he has engaged broadly and with constructive leadership in the organization and projects of the city. He came to his present post with a world of experience in the refining industry of petroleum in several states and large cities.

Born at Elizabeth, New Jersey, on January 24, 1893, he is the son of Joseph B. and Florence May (Cupid) Tillou, who are deceased. After attending New Jersey schools, and being graduated from the Bayonne High School in that state, he took business administration studies in a business college. It could be pointed out that he was reared and educated in one of the great oil and gasoline industrial centers of the United States, where refining of petroleum is outstanding. As a youth he entered the employ of the Tide Water Oil Company, in Bayonne, where he remained to 1915, when he first made what became a permanent connection with the Texas Company. Down through a number of years, Mr. Tillou filled a wide variety of positions, wherein he became familiar with most phases of mechanical refining. In 1929 he was sent to Norfolk, Virginia, as assistant superintendent of The Texas Company plant there. In 1930 he was promoted to the superintendency of The Texas Company plant at Charleston, South Carolina, and in 1931 was transferred to the Texas Company main refinery at Port Arthur, Texas.

The Portland area was fortunate in 1933, when Mr. Tillou was appointed superintendent of the Texas Company at its terminal at South Portland. His abilities and knowledge had been tested in the hard school of the business, and his executive qualities made evident in various cities have shown to advantage in the Maine metropolis as well as in his connection with "Texaco" petroleum products. He has also been a valued addition to Portland and South Portland business, civic and fraternal circles. He is especially active in the South Portland Kiwanis Club, of which he is a former president, and the Portland Chamber of Com-



merce. He devotes time and means to the humanitarian groups, is a member of the board of directors of the Portland Seamen's Association and of the South Portland District Nursing Association and is a member of the City of Portland Park and Recreation Commission. During World War I, he was with the American Expeditionary Forces in France. By right of notable ancestry, he is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, Empire State Society, New York City Chapter. He is a charter member of the Portland Propeller Club, and attends the Presbyterian Church.

In September, 1917, Frank M. Tillou married Mary Josephine Abbott, of Bayonne, daughter of M. J. and Mary (O'Connell) Abbott, both of whom are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Tillou are the parents of a son: Frank M., Jr., who was born in Charleston, South Carolina, on March 5, 1930. He is a graduate of South Portland High School, class of 1947, and a student at the University of Maine, class of 1951, where he is majoring in engineering.

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#### **KELLEY, George F., Jr.**

The colorful career of George F. Kelley, Jr., no doubt prepared him well for his present responsibilities as general manager of the Congress Square Hotel Company, of Portland, and associated establishments. He has spent more than a quarter of a century with this corporation, during which time he has not only proved his executive abilities, but his capacity for making friends, personal and business.

George F. Kelley was born at Jonesport, Maine, on August 6, 1893, son of Captain George F. and Mrs. Elva (Ackley) Kelley. His mother was a native of Whiting, Maine. His father, born in

Jonesport, followed the sea and was a captain the most of his life. After attending local school and graduating from the Jonesport High School, with the class of 1911, the son completed his preparation for a career in the Bryant and Stratton Commercial College, at Boston. He engaged in schoolteaching for a couple of years, and then went to sea, sailing vessels in the coastwise trade. From 1918 to 1920 he was with the Columbia National Life Insurance Company, at Boston, connected with the investment department.

Mr. Kelley came to Portland in 1920 to become an instructor in the Educational and Recreational Branch of the United States Army, and in 1921 joined the staff of the Congress Square Hotel Company, in the city, as auditor. Down the years he has been active in several capacities with the corporation and its associated companies, since 1936 being its general manager. He is not only well known in his field, but likewise in the city and local endeavors, as a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and similar organizations. His company, frequently represented by himself, belongs to the Maine Publicity Bureau, which does an excellent job of selling the advantages of the state to the country at large. Fraternally Mr. Kelley is affiliated with Hiram Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of South Portland, is a Thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason; and both he and his wife are members of Longfellow Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of South Portland. Indicative of his inheritance and personal choice of recreations is his membership in the Centerboard Yacht Club, of South Portland.

At Calais, Maine, in 1915, George F. Kelley, Jr., married Katherine M. Mor-

and, who was born at Machias. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley, Jr., are the parents of the following children: 1. Eric, who was born at Machias, a graduate of the South Portland High School, and the University of Maine. He is married and the father of three children: Gordon, Eric, Jr., and Gale. 2. Donald P., who was born at Jonesport, a graduate of South Portland High School, the University of Maine and Cornell University. During World War II, he served in the United States Navy with the rank of lieutenant in the Pacific theater. 3. Gordon E., who was born at Jonesport. A graduate of the South Portland High School, and Bryant and Stratton Business College, in Boston, he enlisted in the United States Army Engineers, and served in the Inspector General's Department in the African and Italian campaigns. He is married, and has a daughter, Brenda. 4. John D., a graduate of South Portland High School and the University of Maine. During World War II, he served with the rank of staff sergeant, United States Army, in Europe. 5. George F., 3rd, who was born in South Portland. He is a graduate of South Portland High School, and the University of Maine. Enlisting for World War II, service, he served in the Pacific theater with the rank of sergeant. He is married, and the father of a daughter, Margo.

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**DIONNE, Maurice J., M.D.**

Since shortly after his graduation from the Harvard University Medical School, Dr. Maurice J. Dionne became a physician and surgeon at Brunswick, where he has spent seventeen years in practice and as the owner and head of the Brunswick Hospital, since 1943. He is rated high in his profession by colleagues and clients, and is prominently identified with com-

munity life and affairs as a progressive citizen, especially interested in education.

A native of Lewiston, Maine, born on June 11, 1904, Maurice J. Dionne is the son of Leude and Mary Louise (Bernier) Dionne, his father a retired merchant before his decease. After being graduated from the grammar and high schools of Lewiston, Dr. Dionne matriculated at Bates College, where he received the degree Bachelor of Science, with the class of 1927. For his professional education he went to Boston and the Harvard University Medical School, being graduated in 1931, a Doctor of Medicine. After being an intern in the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston, in 1932 Dr. Dionne established a practice in Brunswick, where he has become an exceedingly busy physician and surgeon. In 1943 he purchased the Brunswick Hospital, which he has since operated as a private institution with a current capacity of forty beds. It has helped to fill adequately the needs of the community and a wide surrounding area.

Along professional lines, Dr. Dionne has carried further his knowledge gained in one of the outstanding medical schools of the United States by memberships in the American Medical Association, the Maine State Medical Association, and the Cumberland Medical Association. He belongs to the Brunswick Rotary Club, is a corporator of the Brunswick Savings Bank, and is active as the chairman of the Board of Education, Brunswick. He is a communicant of St. John's Catholic Church, and is liberal in his contributions to religious and charitable works. For recreation he enjoys tennis and wood-working.

At Nashua, New Hampshire, in September, 1934, Dr. Maurice J. Dionne married Beatrice Newton, who was born at







*Richard Stuart Palmer*

Augusta. They are the parents of two daughters, both born in Brunswick. 1. Anne Marie, born in December, 1941. 2. Carmen, born in June, 1947.

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**PALMER, Richard Stuart**

As owner of the Palmer Spring Company of Portland, Richard S. Palmer continues a business which was established by his grandfather in Concord, New Hampshire, a century ago, and which has successfully adapted itself to the modern era. The Portland branch of the business had its start in 1930 and has been carried on by Richard S. Palmer at 355 Forest Avenue ever since.

Richard Stuart Palmer was born July 22, 1899, in Cambridge, Massachusetts, the son of Joseph B. and Helen C. (Woodbury) Palmer. Mr. Palmer's grandfather, Joseph Palmer, was a native of England, who came to the United States as a young man and settled at Concord, New Hampshire. This was the original center of the carriage and wagon business in the United States, and here Joseph Palmer went into the business of manufacturing carriage and wagon springs, establishing his business in 1849, just a century ago. He was succeeded in the business by his son, Joseph Benjamin Palmer, father of the subject of this sketch. Joseph Benjamin Palmer subsequently moved the business to Boston, and afterward branches were established at Providence, Rhode Island, and Hartford, Connecticut, as well as at Portland. The Portland branch was established by Richard S. Palmer in 1930. Long before that, the Palmer Spring Company had changed with the times, and instead of devoting itself to the manufacture of carriage and wagon springs and nothing else, it provided complete spring service, wheel aligning, Bendix brake service and frame

straightening for the motor vehicles that had taken the places of the old-style carriages and wagons. The company was thus able not only to survive but to grow with the changing times. Mr. Palmer is a member of the Portland Lions Club. He and his family are Episcopalians.

He married at Boston, Massachusetts, February 16, 1929, Gladys L. Lawrence of southern Rhodesia in South Africa, the daughter of Dr. William T. and Florence (Anderson) Lawrence. Dr. Lawrence was a missionary in South Africa for forty years. Mr. and Mrs. Palmer have two children: 1. Helen D. Palmer, born in Portland, March 27, 1931, now a student at Fryeburg Academy. 2. J. Benjamin Palmer, born in Portland, June 15, 1933 and now a student at St. Dunstan's School in Providence, where he is an outstanding football player.

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**LEDDEY, John Davenport**

A member of the law firm of Robinson, Richardson & Leddy, trial lawyers specializing in insurance casualty law, John Davenport Leddy was born in Calais June 16, 1909, the son of John E. and Grace R. (Rodgers) Leddy. John E. Leddy, who is a native of Calais, is a retired lumberman.

Although John D. Leddy attended elementary school in Calais, his family moved to South Portland in 1923, and he finished his elementary school training there and attended the South Portland High School, from which he graduated in 1929. He then studied at the University of Maine, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1934, and at the Boston University Law School, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1937. In August, 1937, he was admitted to practice at the State of Maine Bar, and that same year entered



into association with the law firm of Robinson & Richardson. He was made a member of the firm in September, 1944, the firm being changed to Robinson, Richardson & Leddy. Mr. Leddy, who makes his home in Falmouth, is a member of zoning appeals of the town of Falmouth and a member of the special school survey committee of the town of Falmouth. He belongs to the Cumberland Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. He is a member of the Episcopal Church.

On October 8, 1937 at Ocean Grove, New Jersey, John Davenport Leddy was married to Merle Shubert of Ocean Grove, the daughter of Milton and Elizabeth R. (Reuter) Shubert. Mr. and Mrs. Leddy are the parents of four children: 1. Bruce Eugene, born January 4, 1939. 2. John Davenport, Jr., born September 30, 1940. 3. David Reuter and 4. Samuel Rodgers, twins, born January 15, 1942. All of the children were born in Portland.

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**WARD, Rev. Edward Francis**

Since 1943 rector of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception of Portland, Rev. Edward Francis Ward was born November 14, 1900 in Portland, the son of John Joseph and Mary Ellen (Healy) Ward.

After graduation from the Butler Grammar School in 1915 and from the Portland High School in 1919, Father Ward became a student at Holy Cross College, in Worcester, Massachusetts, graduating from this institution in 1923. He took his training for the priesthood at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, Maryland, where he graduated in 1928.

From 1928 to 1932 Father Ward served as curate at St. Joseph's Church in Portland. In 1932 he became teacher and

athletic director at a high school in Portland and served in this capacity for ten years. Meantime, from 1933 to 1942 he was director of Camp Gregory for Boys at Gray, Maine. In 1943 Father Ward assumed office as rector of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland and has been rector ever since.

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**PROCTOR, Milton David, B.S., Ph.D.**

Throughout his career, Dr. Milton David Proctor has devoted his abilities to the education of students at all grade levels, and in various locations. He had an ample experience in educational administration as well, prior to 1933, when he accepted appointment as president of Westbrook Junior College in Portland.

Born in Cassville, New York, July 17, 1887, Milton David Proctor is a son of Francis R. and Stephanie (Morris) Proctor. On completion of his secondary education, he enrolled at Colgate University, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1908. His degree of Doctor of Philosophy was granted by New York University in 1932.

Dr. Proctor's first teaching appointment, accepted after his graduation from Colgate University, was as teacher of science in the schools of Watertown, New York, where he remained until 1911. He then became a member of the teaching faculty at White Plains, New York, after which, from 1913 to 1917, he headed the science department at the Mount Hermon Boys' School in Mount Hermon, Massachusetts.

At this juncture, Dr. Proctor entered the service of the United States Army, and during World War I served as a captain in the Field Artillery, American Expeditionary Forces, for a period of nineteen months. On his release from military service, he returned to White



Plains, and accepted the principalship of the Continuation School there from 1920 to 1922.

In 1922 he was elected assistant superintendent of schools and served in this capacity until 1926. Throughout the six years he served as principal of the evening school, and, during the last year of his tenure, organized the junior high school program for the city of White Plains and acted as principal of Eastview Junior High School.

In 1926 Dr. Proctor removed to Uniontown, Pennsylvania, where for the next six years he served as superintendent of schools. In 1932 he terminated this appointment, returned to New York and became teacher of education at New York University during 1932. Dr. Proctor had previous experience in teaching at the collegiate level in New York City, for he had been on the faculty of Hunter College from 1921 to 1923, concurrently with his appointment at White Plains. He was in the metropolis only a year however, before accepting appointment as head of the department of education at Seton Hall College in South Orange, New Jersey, where also he remained for a period of a year.

Since that time, April, 1933, Dr. Proctor has been president of Westbrook College in Portland, and has been a worthy addition to the State of Maine's list of leading educators.

Westbrook Junior College, of which he is president, has a history going back nearly one hundred and twenty years. Founded September 29, 1830 as Westbrook Seminary, it came into being as result of a resolution passed by the Kennebec Association of Universalists, at their annual session. Less than a month later a group of citizens met at Stevens Plains, Westbrook, which is the present

location of the college, to consider the establishment of a classical school. The constitution was adopted March 4, 1831, and the school's charter was signed by the governor of the state.

Westbrook was one of the first schools in New England to grant equal privileges to women in the matter of liberal education. As early as 1834 an advertisement noted: "Males and Females will be admitted to equal privileges." Later, in 1863, the trustees secured an amendment to the original charter of the school which furthered this purpose, the amendment reading:

"The Trustees of Westbrook Seminary may prescribe a course of study for young ladies equivalent to that of any female college in New England, and may, without the concurrence of the Board of Instructors, confer upon all who shall satisfactorily complete such course, the collegiate honors and degrees that are generally granted by female colleges."

The institution continued to grow, in size, in significance and in service, and sent forth from its walls more than its share of leaders. Westbrook first decided to concentrate on the education of girls and young women in 1925. At that time the junior college movement was gaining recognition in New England. To a preparatory department, this unit of higher education was added, and the name of the institution became, by act of legislature, Westbrook Seminary and Junior College. The simple designation, "Junior College" has been used since 1933. Its program of studies is fourfold, and the young woman student of today is offered transfer, terminal, exploratory, and pre-professional curricula, adapted to her plans for the future. Now in its one hundred and nineteenth year of service to the cause of education, Westbrook Junior College adheres to a high stand-

ard, both in respect to entrance qualifications, and requirements for graduation; so that its credits are highly regarded among other educational institutions.

Dr. Proctor is a trustee of the college, in addition to being its president. He is a member of Beta Theta Pi, Phi Beta Kappa, and Phi Delta Kappa fraternities, and is locally a member of the Rotary Club, having been president of the club in Portland in 1941. He is also a member of the Woodfords Club. He attends the Episcopal Church, and in his politics is a Republican.

Milton David Proctor married, on November 24, 1910, Ethel Mary Dewing, and they have become the parents of two children: 1. Ethel Jean, who married James Stevens. 2. Morris Downing, who held the rank of lieutenant in the United States Army during World War II, and was killed in action at Mindoro, on Christmas Day, 1944. Dr. and Mrs. Proctor make their home at 750 Stevens Avenue, Portland.

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#### **YELTON, Russell**

President of the Mid-Central Fish Company of Portland, processors and fast freezers of fish, and also president of Boothbay Harbor Freezer, Inc., a subsidiary company, Russell Yelton was born November 27, 1894 in Boonesboro, Missouri, the son of Hiram E. and Sarah Ellen (Harford) Yelton, both deceased. Prior to his death Hiram E. Yelton was in the bridge foundation construction business in the West.

Russell Yelton attended the grade and high schools of Omaha, Nebraska, where his family had moved when he was a small boy. After graduating from the Omaha High School, he entered the employ of the Cudahy Packing Company of

Omaha as a salesman. In 1914 he came East to Boston as a field representative for the Cudahy Packing Company. Mr. Yelton, as a member of the National Guard, was mobilized for action on the Mexican border in 1916 and served as sergeant with the Fourth United States Infantry. In 1917, upon the outbreak of World War I, he joined the United States Army Balloon Corps and served overseas until October 11, 1919, holding the rank of master signal electrician. After his return to civilian life he was again associated with the Cudahy Packing Company, as a salesman in Boston. In 1922 Mr. Yelton became salesman and sales manager of the Bay State Fishing Company at Boston, and served in this capacity for four years. From 1926 to 1931 he was associated with the sales department of the Atlantic Coast Fisheries Corporation of Boston, and from 1931 to 1935 he did buying and merchandising for the fresh fish department of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company in Boston. In 1935 Mr. Yelton established the Russell Fish Company at No. 39 Fish Pier in Boston. The following year he moved the business to Portland and changed its name to the Mid-Central Fish Company of Maine, serving as president of the concern, which has built up a substantial business in the processing and fast freezing of fish. Mrs. Yelton is treasurer of the company. Mr. Yelton is a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau and serves on the board of directors of the state of Maine Chamber of Commerce. He belongs to the Cumberland Club and is a communicant of the Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church of South Portland.

On September 24, 1925 at Roslindale, Massachusetts, Russell Yelton was married to Florence Barrett, the daughter of John T. and Mary (McDonnell) Barrett.





*Russell Gelton*





**BURNS, Robert M., M.D.**

One of the younger professional co-teries of the general Portland area, Dr. Robert M. Burns is giving to Westbrook and Windham thoroughly modern services as physician, surgeon, and X-ray expert. His formal and technical education is that of excellent New England institutions, and his native abilities have been tested both in hospital and private work.

A native of Westbrook, Robert M. Burns was born on July 16, 1912, son of the late Harry B. Burns, and his wife the former Elizabeth Huskins. The father, who died on April 9, 1943, at the age of sixty-three years, was a conductor on the Maine Central Railroad for the most of his mature life. Born at Bath, he was brought to Westbrook as an infant, and was educated in local schools. A substantial citizen, his passing was sincerely mourned by a host of friends. Mrs. Burns came originally from Orono.

After being graduated from high school in Portland, Robert M. Burns matriculated at the University of Maine, later transferring to Bowdoin College, where he received the degree Bachelor of Science in 1936. For his professional education, he entered the Tufts College School of Medicine, where he graduated in 1942, a Doctor of Medicine. That same year he established himself in practice as a physician and surgeon in Windham and Westbrook. He has built up a large clientele, and renders more than usual services, partly because he is a specialist in X-ray, and has installed full equipment. He serves on the staffs of the Mercy Hospital and the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary at Portland. Dr. Burns keeps in close touch with colleagues and with the latest developments in his profession by memberships in the American

Medical Association, the Maine State Medical Association, and the Cumberland County Medical Association.

At Dover, New Hampshire, March 21, 1937, Dr. Robert M. Burns married Dorothy Dunbar, daughter of James and Mildred (Rich) Dunbar. Dr. and Mrs. Burns are the parents of three children: 1. Robert J., born in Portland, November 19, 1940. 2. Thurston S., born in Boston, April 20, 1941. 3. Aline Lolá, born in Portland, March 13, 1944.

**MOORE, Lyman Sweet**

City manager of Portland, Lyman Sweet Moore brings to that responsible position a wealth of administrative experience, and a very thorough educational preparation. He has occupied the position since 1946, and since that time has won public favor through his able management of the city's affairs.

Mr. Moore was born in Attleboro, Massachusetts, August 15, 1910, and is a son of Fred Atkins and Vivian Elizabeth (Ross) Moore, his father having been a Universalist minister. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, in Madison, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1927, and that of Master of Arts in 1933. His degree of Doctor of Philosophy was granted by Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, in 1936. Mr. Moore has also taken graduate studies at Columbia University, New York City (1933), and at the University of Chicago (1934).

In the early years of his career, Mr. Moore was a staff member of the International City Managers Association, and assistant director of the Institute for Training in Municipal Administration. He became assistant editor of the Municipal Yearbook, "Public Management," in 1934, and served in that capacity until

1938, when he became consultant in Public Service Training at the United States Office of Education. In 1940 Mr. Moore terminated this connection to become administrative assistant to the city manager of Kansas City, Missouri, where he remained until 1942. He was consultant at the United States Bureau of the Budget from 1942, and concurrently assistant administrator of the National Housing Agency, in which office he served until 1946. Since that year, Mr. Moore has been city manager of Portland, Maine. He is also consultant on town management of the Atomic Energy Commission, an office he has held since 1947.

Professionally, Mr. Moore is a member of the International City Managers Association, with consultant public employee training; a member of the American Society of Public Administration, the American Political Science Association, the Municipal Finance Officers Association, and the Civil Service Assembly. His fraternity is Theta Chi.

On September 15, 1934, Lyman Sweet Moore married Doris Abbott Sargent, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Sargent. Mr. and Mrs. Moore are the parents of two children: 1. Fred Sargent. 2. David Wells. The family makes its home at 30 Berkeley Street in Portland.

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#### **COLE, Gerald C.**

A civic as well as business leader at Portland, Gerald C. Cole is vice president and a director of the Cole Express Company, Inc., and a member of the City Council of Portland. Mr. Cole is a former member of the Maine State House of Representatives. He is in charge of the Portland operations of Cole's Express, the headquarters of which are located at Bangor.

Mr. Cole was born in Enfield, Maine, on August 3, 1913, the son of Albert J. and Amy (Stone) Cole. His father, who founded Cole's Express in 1917, is a native of Lowell, Maine, and his mother was born in Enfield. The elder Mr. Cole first ran the business from Enfield, but later moved the headquarters to Bangor, where, as president, he still directs operations. The firm runs its trucks from Portland in the southwestern part of the state to Fort Kent, in the far northern part, a distance of approximately three hundred miles, running daily through Aroostook County.

Associated with this enterprise since his schooldays, Gerald Cole then worked part time with his father. In 1932 he left high school and went directly into the business as a regular employee. In 1941 he went to Portland to start operations for the business, and since then has been a vice president and director of the firm. In the process of building the business of Cole's Express at Portland, Mr. Cole became a prominent figure in that city and area. In 1947 he was elected to the State House of Representatives and served that year and in 1948. In December, 1947, he was also elected to the Portland City Council and has since been re-elected to that body.

Mr. Cole is a director of the Kiwanis Club of Portland, and also a member of the Executives Club of that city. Also he belongs to various Masonic bodies, including Rising Virtue Lodge No. 10, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Bangor; Mount Morah Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, at Bangor; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, Bangor; Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Bangor; and the Portland Shrine Club. His church is the Woodfords Congregational, Port-







*Frank P. Cummings*

land. The elder Mr. Cole is also active in the Masonic order, being a member of the Lincoln lodge, various other bodies, including the Knights Templar and Anah Temple at Bangor.

Gerald Cole married Edwynna E. Cohan at Bangor on June 22, 1934. Mrs. Cole is the daughter of Mrs. Crystal Bemis of Levant and was born at Brewer. She and Mr. Cole are the parents of two children: 1. Sandra Joan, born in Bangor on March 16, 1935. 2. David E., born in Portland on July 24, 1941. Mr. Cole's office is at 36 Plum Street, Portland. The headquarters of Cole's Express is 76 Dutton Street, Bangor.

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#### **CUMMINGS, Frank P.**

Representing the third generation to be engaged in the wholesale grocery business in Portland, Frank P. Cummings is president of Cummings Brothers, one of the oldest establishments of this type in the city.

His grandfather, also named Frank P. Cummings, founded the business nearly three quarters of a century ago. He owned a cattle farm near Portland. When storekeepers demanded more beef than he could supply from his own farm, he bought steers from other neighborhood farmers, added them to his stock and sold them to retail stores. Building up his butchering and selling business, he established a pound yard at what later became South Portland, there keeping the steers that he was bringing in from an ever-widening area. Old records show that he paid from \$250 to \$350 a year for first-class steers. In order to obtain them, he frequently made two or three day trips. Herds of eighteen to twenty heads were collected in the pound yard and dressed for delivery to Portland retail dealers. With the advent of Western beef in the

Eastern market, Mr. Cummings saw that local farmers could no longer compete with the Western producers, and, accordingly, with his younger brother, Elmer Cummings, he turned to merchandising or organizing Cummings Brothers as a firm of commission merchants.

They took over the old molasses warehouse at the corner of Union Wharf and Commercial Street, a building which had been prominent in "clipper ship" trading days and was available at a low rental. Installing a meat cooler and an ice room, they started importing large quantities of beef from Chicago. In 1895 the first Frank P. Cummings took over the entire business, purchasing the interest of his brother. Another brother, Simon Cummings, took entire charge of the beef department, while Frank Cummings, the founder, remained at the head of the business.

Leon F. Cummings, the founder's son, a native of Portland, who had been familiar with the business from boyhood, became president at the founder's death in 1916. He practically developed the grocery and food branch of the business, while his uncle, Simon Cummings, established the policy which enabled the firm to keep pace with the development of the beef and provisions departments. Leon Cummings foresaw the need for superior packaging, in which he was a pioneer. Cummings Brothers developed a brand of their own—the Tulip Brand.

Leon Cummings married Apphia Jackson Crowell, also a native of Portland. The enterprise passed over to the third generation upon the death of Leon F. Cummings in February, 1940. His son, the present Frank P. Cummings, was reared in Portland and attended Portland schools and high school, then the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor.



Although familiar from childhood with the Cummings Brothers business, he obtained outside experience, engaging in sales work from 1924 to 1926 with the Henley-Kimball Company, and in independent meat and grocery sales between 1926 and 1932. When he came to Cummings Brothers in 1932, he entered the advertising and buying department. Mr. Cummings has shown great initiative in his conduct of the business, following in the footsteps of his father and grandfather. He is the first wholesale grocer in Maine, as far as known, to have used airplane for business purposes. An enthusiastic private pilot, he used this mode of transportation for rapid business trips at an early period, and still owns a private airplane. In recent years Cummings Brothers have made notable strides. As early as 1908, they added space for storage and business operations. New merchandising and transportation methods brought, in that year, a removal across the street to 241-243 Commercial Street, placing the enterprise in the center of the wholesale business district of Portland. Twenty years later, on July 1, 1928, Cummings Brothers added a chain of stores to their other undertakings. They acquired the franchise for the Nation-Wide Stores, extending throughout southern Maine and eastern New Hampshire. Approximately eighty of these stores then received their supplies from Cummings Brothers, and the wholesale firm prospered under the arrangement. An instrumental figure in the founding of the chain of stores was Lewis E. Shave, president of the Nation-Wide Stores Company, with headquarters in Brockton, Massachusetts. Cummings Brothers have also given considerable attention to the Nation-Wide Stores, who have been enabled by these wise arrange-

ments to meet chain store competition more successfully. The Cummings firm now furnishes meat, provisions, and dairy foods to more than one hundred and fifty stores of the Nation-Wide chain and other independent stores. Most of the Nation-Wide stores are now self-service markets, but not of the "supermarket" type, the policy being to maintain small neighborhood markets. These retail stores obtain advertising assistance for a service fee through the aid of the Cummings Brothers office and the Nation-Wide stores in Brockton. Displays, window signs, and counter signs are distributed from Brockton, but newspaper advertising is handled by Cummings Brothers. Advertisements appear weekly in newspapers in Portland, Biddeford, Bath, Norway and Sanford in Maine, and Rochester in New Hampshire. Each week, Cummings Brothers issue a mimeographed sheet to retailers entitled "The Nation-Wide Bulletin." It contains news of sales promotions, market conditions and retail merchandising suggestions.

Business expanded so that it was necessary to move the grocery department operations into the old Talbot, Brooks & Ayer Building at 269 and 273 Commercial Street, making it possible for them to put in a larger beef cooler and a cooler for handling frozen foods at 241-243 Commercial Street, which has come into the picture since moving to 269-273 Commercial Street two years ago.

In addition to serving since 1940 as president and treasurer of Cummings Brothers, Frank P. Cummings is active in the general business and civic life of Portland. He was one of the group who incorporated the Portland Savings Bank. He is a member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in which his affiliations are with the Portland Lodge,

Greenleaf Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Portland Council of Royal and Select Masters and St. Albans Commandery of Knights Templar. He belongs to the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Portland Country Club, the Cumberland Club and the Baptist Church. Flying and golf are his favorite hobbies.

Frank P. Cummings married, September 7, 1929, in Portland, Helen Howarth, daughter of Harry Howarth. Their son, Frank P. Cummings, Jr., born July 17, 1930, is a student at Proctor Academy, and during the summer vacation period devotes his time to learning his father's business. The Cummings' residence is in Cape Elizabeth.

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**MARSHALL, Donald Forbes, M.D.**

Donald Forbes Marshall, M.D., who since 1945 has practiced as urological surgeon in Portland, is a member of the surgical staff of the Maine General Hospital. Dr. Marshall was born in Portland January 13, 1909, the son of George and Margaret (Taylor) Marshall, both now deceased. Dr. Marshall's parents were born in Scotland and settled in Portland as young people. His father, who was a government employee, died in 1929. His mother died in 1942. Both parents are buried in Portland.

Dr. Marshall graduated from Portland High School in 1927 and from the University of Maine in 1931, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts from that institution. While a student at the University of Maine he was awarded a watch by the Washington, D. C., Alumni Association for his outstanding service to the university. He studied medicine in the Yale University School of Medicine and graduated there in 1936 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Meantime, in 1935, he had served as surgical dresser at

the University of Edinburgh in Scotland. From 1936 to 1941 Dr. Marshall interned at the University of Rochester Hospital in Rochester, New York, where he was resident urologist. He entered the United States Army Medical Corps in 1942 for service in World War II and served from 1942 to 1945, being stationed in Africa and Italy with the 8th Evacuation Hospital. Dr. Marshall held the rank of major and received a citation and the bronze star. In 1945 after returning to civilian life, he opened up practice in his native Portland as a urological surgeon and has practiced there ever since. He is a member of the staff of the Maine General Hospital, Mercy Hospital and Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary. Dr. Marshall is a member of the American Board of Urology and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He belongs to the Cumberland County Medical Association, the Maine Medical Association, and the American Medical Association, and is a member of the Portland Medical Club. He also belongs to the Cumberland Club of Portland, Torch Club, and the Portland Rotary Club, and fraternally is affiliated with Mechanics Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He is a director of the Pine Tree Council of the Boy Scouts of America. As a boy Dr. Marshall was an Eagle Scout. His favorite diversions are sailing, fishing, and music. He himself plays the violin.

On April 1, 1937 at Thornwood, New York, Dr. Marshall was married to Helene Johnson of Bar Harbor, the daughter of Everett and Addie (Bowden) Johnson. Mrs. Marshall is a graduate of the University of Maine, having received the degree of Bachelor of Arts there in 1930, and a graduate of the Child Education Foundation of New York City. Dr. and Mrs. Marshall have three children: 1.



Laurie, born in Norfolk, Virginia, November 5, 1941. 2. Bonnie, born in Bangor, December 9, 1942. 3. John, born in Portland, May 15, 1948.

#### **LINNELL, William Shepherd**

An attorney practicing in Portland since 1911, William Shepherd Linnell has also become well known in his community as an official in banks and utilities, and as an important figure on the political scene. Mr. Linnell is senior member of the law firm of Linnell, Brown, Perkins, Thompson and Hinckley of Portland. He is very active in civic affairs.

A native of Biddeford, Mr. Linnell was born July 21, 1885, son of William Franklin and Sarah Catherine (Shepherd) Linnell. On completion of his secondary education in local schools, he entered Bowdoin College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1907. Continuing legal studies at George Washington University Law School in Washington, D. C., he received his degree of Bachelor of Law there in 1911. Admitted in the same year to the bar of the State of Maine, Mr. Linnell entered practice in Portland as an associate of William M. Bradley, and after two years joined Mr. Bradley as partner. For some years this association continued, with additional partners, until the death of Mr. Bradley. The firm continued, with Mr. Linnell as senior partner, and is now Linnell, Brown, Perkins, Thompson and Hinckley.

No less prominent as a utilities executive, Mr. Linnell is president and director of the Portland Gas Light Company, and he is a director of the National Bank of Commerce, of Portland. He was chairman of the Portland Music Commission from 1922 to 1928, and is a corporator of

the Maine General Hospital in Portland.

Mr. Linnell's part in the political affairs of his locality dates from the early days of his legal career. He was chairman of the Republican committee of the city of Portland from 1919 to 1921, and of Cumberland County during 1922-1923. During 1923-1934 Mr. Linnell served as a member of the state Republican committee, and he was Republican national committeeman from the State of Maine from 1937 to 1948. From 1925 to 1928 he was a member of the Maine Governor's Council.

Vitally interested in the cause of education, Mr. Linnell is president of the board of trustees of Thornton Academy in Saco, Maine, and is vice president of the board of trustees of Westbrook Junior College for Girls. From 1938 to 1941, he was a member of the Alumni Council of Bowdoin College, and he is an active member of the Bowdoin Club of Portland. His fraternities are Beta Theta Pi and Phi Beta Kappa.

Professionally, Mr. Linnell is affiliated with the American Bar Association, the Maine Bar Association, and the Cumberland County Bar Association. A member of the International Association of Torch Clubs, he was president of that organization during 1935-1936. He also belongs to the Newcomen Society of England. Locally, he is a member of the Cumberland, Portland, and Woodfords clubs, the Portland Chamber of Commerce, of which he was president in 1924-1925, and the Portland Rotary Club, of which he was president in 1947-1948. He is now District Governor of District 285 of Rotary International. A political affiliation is with the Lincoln Club, a Republican organization. Mr. Linnell is a loyal Republican and has long been a force in the councils of his party. He is







*Bernard D Stearns*

a member of the lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, holding the Thirty-second degree. In religious faith he is a Congregationalist and a member of the State Street Congregational Church.

On November 12, 1912 William Shepherd Linnell married Jessie E. Hopkins, and their children are Sarah S. Noyes, Nancy H. Cowan and Robert S. Linnell. Mr. Linnell's office address is 192 Middle Street, and his residence is at 81 Brighton Avenue.

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#### **COX, Edward Weston**

Edward W. Cox, prominent industrialist, has long been a leader in his community of Portland by virtue of his many associations with its commercial life. In banking, railroads, insurance and manufacturing, his influence is significant, and has been conducive to progress.

Mr. Cox, who is a native of Brunswick, Maine, was born September 6, 1865, and is a son of Augustus F. and Tryphena (Jones) Cox. Early in his childhood years his parents moved to Portland, and there he attended public schools. Identified throughout his career with the banking interests of Portland, he began, nevertheless, in the shoe manufacturing business at the age of eighteen, and was until recent years president and treasurer of the Portland Shoe Manufacturing Company. He is chairman of the board of the First Portland National Bank; and in the field of insurance is identified as director with the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, and as chairman of the board of the Maine Bonding and Casualty Company. He is president of the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad, and a director of the Oxford Paper Company.

Mr. Cox is a member of the lodges of

both the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he formerly held membership in the Cumberland, Portland, and Portland Athletic clubs. In religious faith he is a Universalist.

On November 14, 1888, Edward Weston Cox married Lena Prince, and they became the parents of two daughters: 1. Margaret P., who married Walter S. Hammons. They have two children: Margaret Elizabeth and Barbara. 2. Eleanor W. She married Robinson Cook and they are the parents of five children: i. Robinson, Jr. ii. Charles S. iii. Edward W. iv. Ann. v. Elizabeth E.

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#### **STEARNS, Bernard D.**

Widely known in the provisions business in Portland and throughout this region of Maine, Bernard D. Stearns is treasurer of B. D. Stearns, Incorporated, dealers at wholesale in beef, pork, lamb and veal, as well as in dairy products.

Mr. Stearns was born January 12, 1907 in the town of South Hiram, son of the late Frank E. and Bessie (Morrill) Stearns. His father was a lumber and cattle dealer until his death in June, 1946, and the Stearns family were pioneers in the South Hiram community; his mother was born in Portland.

Bernard D. Stearns attended Porter High School at Kezan Falls, Maine. In 1924 he became associated with John P. Squires and Company as a sales representative and manager of the Portland branch, continuing in that position until 1929. He then became manager and vice president of Cummings Brothers, wholesale meat dealers and grocers of Portland, having full charge of the meat and provisions there until 1945. In 1945 and 1946, Mr. Stearns conducted his own retail meat and groceries business in Portland.



It was on December 11, 1946, that he established the present firm of B. D. Stearns, Incorporated, which, since that time, has become one of Portland's leading business enterprises.

In addition to his work with this company, of which his wife is president and he himself the treasurer, Mr. Stearns has extensive civic interest in this region of Maine. He is a member of Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Maine State Chamber of Commerce, and the Portland Club. In the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons he is affiliated with Greenleaf Lodge of Cornish; Aurora Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, also of Cornish; Saint Albans Commandery of Knights Templar of Portland; and Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Lewiston. He also is affiliated with the Portland Consistory of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree. Mr. Stearns is a member of Portland Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, as well as the Portland Lions Club, and the Baptist Church.

In Portland, on June 12, 1943, Bernard D. Stearns married Doris Kitchen of this city, daughter of Alvah N. and Ella B. (Clifford) Kitchen of Portland. Mrs. Stearns is a graduate of Deering High School, and in addition to her business activities as president of B. D. Stearns, Incorporated, serves as vice president of the Zota Club and president of the Marston Club. She is also a member of the Portland Rossini Club, a musical organization. She herself is a talented soprano. Mr. and Mrs. Stearns are the parents of a daughter Janice Ellen Stearns.

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#### **DOHERTY, Rev. Father John L.**

In all the years he has devoted himself to spiritual leadership in the Roman

Catholic Church—more than a quarter of a century—the Reverend Father John L. Doherty of Brunswick has served in Maine churches. Since 1939 he has been pastor of St. Charles Roman Catholic Church, Brunswick. He is active in community and Catholic organizational work and in World War II served the armed forces in a religious capacity.

Father Doherty was born in Boston, Massachusetts, on October 7, 1895, son of Anthony and Mary (Watt) Doherty. His father, who was a railroad worker, died when Father Doherty was a very young boy. The mother was born in Boston, Massachusetts, where she still resides.

Father Doherty began his education in Massachusetts. Addressing himself to a career in the church, he then went to St. Charles College at Catonsville, Maryland. Following his graduation from that institution, he completed his studies for the priesthood at Grand Seminary, in Montreal, Quebec. On May 26, 1923, he was ordained at St. James Cathedral, Montreal. Since then he has been assistant pastor or pastor in various Maine churches. He held brief appointments in Lewiston, Portland and Bangor. Then, from 1929 to 1939, he was pastor of the Church of St. Francis Xavier in Brownville Junction. Since 1939 he has been pastor of St. Charles Church in Brunswick.

In World War II, Father Doherty served as auxiliary Catholic chaplain at Bailey Island. He is active in the Brunswick Council, Knights of Columbus, and in the broader community field.

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#### **BICKMORE, Harold Vincent, M.D.**

Harold Vincent Bickmore, M.D., has practiced medicine in Portland since 1914, and during that period has served as city

physician, and has filled several important appointments to the staffs of local hospitals. A practitioner of internal medicine, Dr. Bickmore maintains offices at 723 Congress Street in Portland.

Son of Samuel and Wilda Izetta (Hallowell) Bickmore, Harold Vincent Bickmore was born in Thomaston, February 24, 1889. He attended Bowdoin College, graduating with the class of 1911, and completed his medical studies also at Bowdoin, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1914. After his internships, Dr. Bickmore engaged in the general practice of medicine in Portland in 1914, and has continued there since. In 1917 he served as city physician of Portland, has been on the staff of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary since 1916, and a visiting physician of the Maine General Hospital since 1921. Since 1928 Dr. Bickmore has served as gastroenterologist of the Mason Dispensary.

In 1918 he saw military service, as a member of the Medical Corps, United States Army, in which he attained the rank of lieutenant. He was later promoted to the rank of captain.

Dr. Bickmore is a Fellow in the American College of Physicians, is a member of the American Medical Association and of the Maine Medical Association, is a Diplomate, American Board of Internal Medicine, and is affiliated with Beta Theta Pi and Phi Chi fraternities. Active in the Masonic order, he is a past master of his lodge, a past commander of the Knights Templar, past grand commander, Grand Commandery of Maine, and holds the Thirty-second degree in Masonry, being a member of the Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, serving as potentate in 1940. Dr. Bickmore is also a member of the Portland Kiwanis Club,

which he served as vice president in 1937, and as president in 1938. He is a Congregationalist in his religious faith, and a member of the Republican party.

Dr. Bickmore is married, and has a daughter Gladys, who is a lieutenant in the Navy, and a son, Harold V., Jr. The family makes its home at Shore Acres, Cape Elizabeth.

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#### **PERRY, Oscar L.**

Oscar L. Perry, of Portland, since he completed his education in 1921, has been in the insurance business and is now one of the best known practitioners in this field in the State of Maine. Associated with the firm of Herbert A. Harmon, Inc., general insurance, since 1935, he is now its president and treasurer. A veteran of World War I, he is active in the American Legion as well as other organizations and is especially well known in Masonic circles.

Born in Rockland on May 9, 1899, Mr. Perry is the son of Cortland D. and Winifred C. (Tolman) Perry. His father, also a native of Rockland, was one of the old-time sea captains of New England. He went to sea at the age of eleven and became the captain of a square-rigger when he was seventeen. He sailed all the seas and visited every corner of the world. He died on November 15, 1930. The mother, born at Owl's Head, Maine, in 1870, now makes her home in Portland.

Oscar L. Perry was graduated from the Rockland High School and from the University of Maine. Awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts by the university in 1921, he took his diploma with honors. He immediately went into the insurance business. From 1921 to 1926, he was with the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, in



that city, or as traveling representative in Maine. In 1920 he became a special agent for the insurance firm of Field and Cowles of Boston. In 1928 he left that firm to become agent in Maine for the American Insurance Company. This post he retains, representing American through his agency, Herbert A. Harmon, Inc. Mr. Perry became an officer in Herbert A. Harmon, Inc., in 1935. His principal associate was Mr. Harmon, who died on August 31, 1941, and subsequently Mr. Perry and his present principal associate, Frederick H. Smith, took over Mr. Harmon's interests. On January 1, 1942, Mr. Perry was elected president and treasurer of the company and Mr. Smith vice president. Their headquarters are at 57 Exchange Street, and they represent numerous insurance companies. The firm was founded by Mr. Harmon in 1881.

Mr. Perry is a member of the Aurora Lodge No. 50, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Rockland. He holds the Thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, belonging to various of its bodies in Portland, and is a Noble of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in Lewiston. He is also a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, Woodfords Club, the Portland Club, and the American Legion post. In World War I he served with the United States Navy and held the rating of quartermaster first class. Mr. Perry worships in the Woodfords Congregational Church. Hunting and fishing are his favorite sports.

Mr. Perry married Alene F. Winslow of Rockland in that city on September 1, 1924. The daughter of Albert D. and Zaida M. (Oberton) Winslow, Mrs. Perry is a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music of Boston and is

an accomplished pianist. Mr. and Mrs. Perry are the parents of three children, all born in Portland: 1. Malcolm S. Perry, born on December 18, 1925. 2. Janice Perry, born on August 15, 1932. 3. Cortland D. Perry, II, born on July 28, 1936. The older son, who was graduated from the Deering High School, Portland, in 1943, was with the United States Navy in World War II. He served as a gunner in the Naval Air Force. He is now (1949) at the University of Maine. Mr. Perry's two younger children are both now pupils in Portland's public schools, Janice being enrolled at Deering High School and Cortland in grammar school. The family home is at 152 Clinton Street, Portland.

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#### **BUTLER, Donald O.**

As president and treasurer of the James Bailey Company, Inc., Donald O. Butler performs a valuable service in Portland's business life. Recognized as one of the city's leading merchants, he has brought to his present position in the sporting goods business a substantial background of banking experience.

Mr. Butler was born January 11, 1910, in Portland, son of the late Orion and Estella A. (Ball) Butler. He attended Portland schools, and was graduated from Deering High School in 1927. Then becoming associated with the American Trust Company, of San Francisco, he served his apprenticeship in the banking business, remaining there until 1929 when he returned to Maine. Here he entered the employ of the Casco Mercantile Trust Company. When that institution became the Casco Bank and Trust Company in 1933 Mr. Butler remained with it, holding various positions until 1940. In 1940 and 1941 he was assistant treasurer of the Mal-





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den Trust Company of Malden, Massachusetts. It was on September 1, 1941, that Mr. Butler became the owner of the James Bailey Company, Inc., continuing as its president and treasurer down to the time of writing.

The James Bailey Company is one of the oldest business establishments in Portland where it has been engaged in the marketing of sports and athletic goods, including bicycles and supplies, for more than a century. In recent years Mr. Butler has accomplished much in the direction of bringing its services thoroughly up to date and making the establishment useful to an ever-growing circle of customers. During his banking years Mr. Butler was widely active in association work, having been at one time president of the Portland Chapter of the American Institute of Banking, as well as a district governor representing the state of Maine in the Institute. He was also formerly district governor of the New England Institute of Banking and a member of its executive committee. He was active in the American Bankers Association. Mr. Butler is a member and past president of the Portland Lions Club and belongs to the Portland Country Club, the Portland Yacht Club, and the Portland Shrine Club. He is affiliated with Atlantic Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in which he holds memberships in St. Albans Commandery of Knights Templar (Portland) and various Scottish Rite bodies. He holds the Thirty-second degree and is also an initiate in Kora Temple (Lewiston) of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Both he and his wife were active in sports while attending Portland High School, and she is thus able to play a highly valuable role in helping him conduct the business of the James Bailey Company.

Both attend the Woodfords Congregational Church.

Donald O. Butler married June 20, 1931, Blanche D. Rolfe, daughter of Frederick B. and Patience (Whitten) Rolfe. Mrs. Butler is a graduate of Portland High School. They became the parents of two daughters: 1. Ellen M., born February 28, 1933. 2. Judith E., born October 3, 1937.

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#### **HOLT, C. Lawrence, M.D.**

Dr. C. Lawrence Holt has been engaged in practice in Portland since 1940, and his work has brought him reputation and a steadily growing clientele. To the noteworthy younger professional group of his city he has been a welcome and progressive addition.

C. Lawrence Holt was born at Lawrence, Massachusetts, on October 3, 1912, a son of Charles L. and Annie A. (White-way) Holt, his mother being a native of Newfoundland. His father is the well known inventor of the Holt roof connection and expansion joint now so widely used in the construction of flat roofs. Currently he is consulting sanitary engineer with the Barrett Roofing Company and the Allied Chemical and Dye Corporation, with headquarters in New York City.

Dr. C. Lawrence Holt was prepared for college in the Lawrence High School, and completed his formal education at Dartmouth College and Harvard University. He was graduated from the Harvard Medical School with the class of 1938. There followed internships at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, the Maine General Hospital, Portland, and the House of the Good Samaritan, in Boston. A constant student of his profession, he has utilized fellowships in medicine at the Evans Memorial Hos-



pital, Boston, 1946, and in cardiology at the Massachusetts General Hospital, in 1947. In research he is keenly interested for the contribution it can make to his service of humanity in practical applications. Since 1940 he has been established as a specialist in internal medicine.

Dr. Holt's career has not been without interruption, for with the rank of captain he served in the United States Army, Maine General Hospital Unit, and was overseas from November, 1942, to October, 1945. He is a member of the staff of the Maine General Hospital and the Mercy Hospital, and belongs to the Portland Medical Society, the Cumberland County Medical Association, the American Heart Association, the Maine State Medical Association, the American Medical Association, and is a Diplomat of the National Board of Medical Examiners. His club is the Cumberland.

On December 16, 1933, in the Church of the Transfiguration, at Derry, New Hampshire, Dr. C. Lawrence Holt married Sarah Gertrude Beck, daughter of William J. and Anna S. (Johnson) Beck. Dr. and Mrs. Holt are the parents of two sons: Lawrence Wright, who was born at Boston, February 28, 1948, and William Faulkner, born at Boston, February 27, 1949.

#### **SANDERSON, Benjamin Blethen**

Throughout his career, Benjamin Blethen Sanderson has practiced law in Portland, and his name has become prominently identified with a number of business organizations in that city. For many years he was general counsel for the Brown Company, pulp and paper manufacturers, and has been an executive in several realty corporations.

Mr. Sanderson is a native of Lynn, Massachusetts. He is a son of William

Kennedy and Ella Louise (Blethen) Sanderson, his father having been a railroad official throughout his life. Born October 22, 1885, Benjamin B. Sanderson was educated first in the Portland public schools, then at Phillips Exeter Academy, from which he was graduated in 1905. He took his degree of Bachelor of Arts at Yale University in 1909 and his degree of Bachelor of Laws from Harvard Law School three years later.

The family had removed to Portland around 1890, and on completion of his law studies, Mr. Sanderson was admitted to the bar of the State of Maine, immediately beginning practice in Portland. He accepted the position of general counsel for the Brown Company, manufacturers of pulp and paper, in 1922, a connection which was terminated about 1940. He is president of the Forest Realty Corporation of Portland, and a director and secretary of Brown Motors. He was formerly president, treasurer and director of the Libby Realty Corporation. He has also been a director of the Congress Street Corporation.

In 1948 Mr. Sanderson was chairman of the Greater Portland Community Chest Campaign, and is a member of the board of directors of the Community Chest. He is vice president and a member of the board of directors and executive committee of the Young Men's Christian Association of Portland, and the board of advisory trustees of the Portland Young Women's Association, as well as president of the Young Men's Christian Association of the State of Maine.

He is a member of the Portland Country Club, and the Cumberland Club. He attends the State Street Congregational Church, which religious body he has in the past served as chairman of the prudential committee.





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Benjamin Blethen Sanderson has been twice married. He married first, June 12, 1914, Emily Hart Brown, of Portland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Brown. Emily (Brown) Sanderson died September 28, 1917, and Mr. Sanderson married second, June 1, 1935, Anne Blauvelt, of Oradell, New Jersey, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Blauvelt. Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson make their home at Cumberland Foreside.

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**RYAN, Rev. Father John R.**

Rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, South Portland, Rev. Father John R. Ryan is a man of the people, and has devoted himself to the priesthood of the Catholic Church and to the service of its communicants. He is a native of Portland, born October 19, 1899, son of Edward J. and Elizabeth (Martin) Ryan. His father was a native of Portland, and became a checker in the old Portland terminal; while Elizabeth (Martin) Ryan was born in Donegal, Ireland, and settled in the Maine metropolis as a young girl. Both parents are now deceased.

Beginning his education at parochial school in Portland, Rev. John R. Ryan later attended St. Charles College at Catonsville, Maryland, where he was graduated in 1920. He completed his preparation at the House of Philosophy, Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, in 1921-1922, and at St. Sulpice, Paris, France, where he studied theology.

Father Ryan was ordained to the priesthood in Paris in 1926. His appointments since that year have been: 1926-1930, assistant rector at St. Dominic's Church, Portland; 1930-1932, assistant at St. Joseph's Parish, Gardner; 1933-1935, Pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Lubec; and 1935-1938, Pastor of St. Matthew's Church, Limerick.

Since 1938 Father Ryan has been Pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church in South Portland. He is a spiritual leader esteemed by Catholics and Protestants alike. Neither color, creed or race is recognized in his ministrations. A man of the people, he serves all with understanding and sympathy.

While at Lubec, Father Ryan became affiliated with the Knights of Columbus.

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**CARR, Frank J. H.**

Active for many years in the management of the Carr Brothers Company, Inc., Frank J. H. Carr is treasurer of this wholesale fruit and produce organization.

Mr. Carr was born April 9, 1883, son of Edward and Margarete (Curran) Carr. He and his brother, John T. L. Carr (q.v.), have both been active in the Carr Company. Both brothers attended the Center Street public school in Portland, and afterward Frank J. H. Carr served an apprenticeship with the Woodman Cook Company of Portland. That establishment was widely known for its work in the silver plating industry. Beginning his career as a buffer in the plating factory, Frank J. H. Carr held different positions in the organization and learned the rudiments of silver plating. Subsequently he was employed with the Colonial Silver Plate Company in Commercial Street. In 1907 he determined to change his occupation, and accordingly turned to the fruit and vegetable business.

Conducting his own produce firm, Mr. Carr centered his activities in Boston for about one and a half years until, in 1909, he joined with his brother to establish the Carr Brothers Company, Inc.

Frank J. H. Carr married October 10, 1910, at Saint Dominick's Roman Catholic Church, Portland, Elsie M. Eames, who was born in Charlestown, Massachu-

setts, daughter of Albert and Melvina Eames. Mr. and Mrs. Carr became the parents of two children: 1. Thomas Eames Carr, born in Portland, August 5, 1917, graduated from Cape Elizabeth High School in 1935, and from the University of New Hampshire as a Bachelor of Science, in 1939; served in the United States Naval Reserve Corps during World War II, enlisting in 1942 as a lieutenant, junior grade, and subsequently being promoted to lieutenant, then to the rank of lieutenant commander, and serving for three and a half years in the Pacific Theater of Operations. Mr. Carr, who is now associated with the Carr Brothers Company, attends Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church. He belongs to the Alpha Epsilon fraternity, which he joined at the University of New Hampshire. He married Betsy Vannah of Brevard, North Carolina, the ceremony taking place July 23, 1942, in Portland; they became the parents of two children: i. Thomas Eames, Jr., born April 4, 1944, in Asheville, North Carolina; ii. Michael John, born in Portland on November 12, 1946. 2. Anna Marie Carr, born November 24, 1924, in Portland, attended St. Joseph's Convent here and Oak Grove Seminary at Vassalboro, Maine; married at Holy Cross Church, South Portland, to Enzo Francesconi of Springfield, Massachusetts. They have one daughter, Rosanne Christine, born July 20, 1946.

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#### **CARR, John T. L.**

In his capacity as president of Carr Brothers Company, Inc., John T. L. Carr has acquired an important position in the business life of Portland, particularly in the wholesale fruit and produce industry.

Mr. Carr was born October 1, 1885, son of Edward and Margarette (Curran) Carr. He attended the Center Street

Public School of Portland, as did his brother, Frank J. H. Carr (q.v.), and began his active career with the Hannaford Brothers Company, on Long Wharf, Portland. There he acquired a knowledge of the wholesale fruit and produce business, serving as shipper and sales representative of the company over a period of several years before joining with his brother in the founding of the Carr Brothers Company.

In addition to his work with the Carr establishment, Mr. Carr is also treasurer of the Maine Fillet Company, and president of the Carr Realty Company of Portland. Likewise prominent in social and civic life, he is a member of the Propeller Club of Portland.

John T. L. Carr married April 19, 1911, at Portland, Alice Walsh of South Portland, daughter of Richard and Winifred M. (Nolan) Walsh, and granddaughter of Peter Nolan. Mr. and Mrs. Carr became the parents of the following children: 1. Elizabeth M., born in Portland, graduated from Deering High School, became the wife of James R. Desmond, a Portland lawyer, and the mother of three children: Alice, Ellen, and Daniel Desmond. 2. Edward, born in Portland, graduated from Deering High School, served in the army in World War II as a technical sergeant.

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#### **SKILLIN, Waldo T., M.D.**

Since 1916, Waldo T. Skillin, M.D., has been engaged in the general practice of medicine at South Portland. Dr. Skillin is a member of the staff of the Maine General Hospital, the Eye and Ear Hospital and Mercy Hospital, all of Portland.

Born December 5, 1889 at Hallowell, Dr. Skillin is a son of Dana C. and Sarah G. (Grinnell) Skillin. His father, a former grocer, served as postmaster at



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Hallowell for fourteen years. His mother, who is a native of Garland, is still living at the age of eighty-one.

Dr. Skillin graduated from Hallowell High School in 1907 and from Bowdoin College in 1911, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He took his medical training at the Maine Medical School, from which he was graduated in 1914 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. After serving an internship at the Maine General Hospital in Portland, Dr. Skillin began to practice as a physician and surgeon in South Portland in 1916 where he has been ever since. Dr. Skillin is a member of the Portland Medical Club, the Cumberland County Medical Society and the Maine Medical Association. He was formerly city physician and health officer, and has been a member of the board of education in South Portland since 1940. Dr. Skillin is a member of the Lions Club of South Portland. He belongs to the Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church of South Portland and to the Knights of Columbus.

On October 31, 1916 at Portland Dr. Waldo T. Skillin was married to Josephine Feury of Portland, the daughter of Patrick and Joannah (Sullivan) Feury. Dr. and Mrs. Skillin are the parents of six children: 1. Charles E., born October 21, 1917, a graduate of South Portland High School and Bowdoin College and a graduate in medicine of the Boston University School of Medicine, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Dr. Charles E. Skillin interned at the Maine General Hospital and the Jersey City Medical Center and took special work in obstetrics and gynecology. During World War II he served in the United States Army Medical Corps as a captain and was stationed overseas in the European theater. He now prac-

tices in Portland. 2. Mary, born in South Portland July 23, 1919. She is a graduate of South Portland High School and Gorham Teachers College and taught in the South Portland public schools prior to her marriage to Gordon O'Donnell. 3. Frederick W., born November 21, 1921, a graduate of South Portland High School, of Fordham University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Science, and of the Boston University School of Medicine, where he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Dr. Frederick W. Skillin interned in the Maine General Hospital at Portland and is now practicing as a physician and surgeon in Bridgton. 4. Philip D., born in South Portland June 3, 1923. He graduated from the South Portland High School, attended Portland Junior College and during World War II served for five years in the United States Army. 5. Margaret, born October 16, 1925, a graduate of South Portland High School. She married Richard McDonald of Gloucester, Massachusetts, and they now live in South Portland. 6. Katherine, born February 2, 1928, a graduate of South Portland High School. She is at home with her parents in South Portland.

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#### **HUGHES, Ethel Grace**

Operating an insurance, real estate and travel business in Calais, Ethel Grace Hughes is one of this community's successful business women.

Born in Calais, Maine, Miss Hughes is a daughter of Wilfred M. and Catherine (Wilson) Hughes. Her father died January 13, 1919, and her mother on October 2, 1922. Miss Hughes attended local schools through the high school grades, then studied at St. Stephen Business College. She became associated with the Howard Murchie Company, Inc., a gener-

al insurance agency established January 23, 1899, by Howard Murchie, who died November 24, 1939. For more than thirty years she has been associated with this business and with the commercial life of Calais, serving as president and treasurer of the organization since Mr. Murchie's passing. Her agency represents such interests as the Travelers Insurance Company, the Home Insurance Company, the Aetna Insurance Company, the Continental Insurance Company and the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company. Miss Hughes conducts her travel bureau and real estate business along with the insurance agency, which is one of the oldest and most substantial of its kind in eastern Maine.

A Republican in politics, Miss Hughes is actively interested in local affairs as a member of the Calais Chamber of Commerce and a member and past president of the Woman's City Club. She belongs to the Maine Association of Insurance Agents and the State of Maine Real Estate Brokers. During World War II she was a warden in the Civilian Defense organization and participated in war bond and Red Cross drives. She is a member of the First Church of Christ Scientist.

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**BLATT, Donald H.**

Widely known as Maine's youngest city manager, Donald H. Blatt assumed his present position as city manager of Calais, this state, in July, 1948.

Mr. Blatt was born August 7, 1921, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, son of Herman O. and Winifred (Burg) Blatt, residents of North Quincy, Massachusetts. Both parents were United States citizens, despite the fact that Donald H. Blatt was born in Canada, where they were living at the time until their return to this country in 1926. The father is asso-

ciated with the Simplex Wire and Cable Company.

Public schools of North Quincy, Massachusetts, furnished Donald H. Blatt's early formal education through the high school grades. After graduation from high school in 1939, he spent a year at the Hickox Secretarial School, in Boston, then entered Boston University, where he was a member of the class of 1944 at the College of Business Administration. Taking a four-year course of study at that institution of learning, with a considerable interruption for World War II, he was actually graduated in 1947. In 1948 he attended the Graduate School of the same university.

Mr. Blatt's war service began with an enlistment in the army in May, 1943. He served with the infantry forces in the European theater, being with the Sixth Armored Division of General Patton and seeing active service in the Battle of the Bulge. Severely wounded at Bastogne, Belgium, by pistol fire which resulted in a bullet passing through his neck from front to back, Mr. Blatt fully recuperated from his wounds and was honorably discharged as a first lieutenant in February, 1947.

Taking up his residence in Calais, Maine, he became a prominent figure in local political affairs at an early period. In July, 1948, as indicated above, he was appointed city manager of Calais, and at the time of writing he is said to be the youngest city manager in the state. In his own political views he follows an independent course, affiliating himself with neither of the major parties. Mr. Blatt belongs to the Maine Municipal Association, the National Municipal Association, the International City Managers' Association and the Maine Town and City Managers' Association. He is also







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a member of the Calais Chamber of Commerce, Calais Rotary Club, the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity and the Scabbard and Blade society, and St. Croix Club. He attends the Congregational Church.

Donald H. Blatt married, June 10, 1944, at Fort Benning, Georgia, Grayce Pullen, of Augusta, Maine, daughter of William F. and Elise Pullen.

#### **RICH, Irving L.**

The S. S. Rich and Son funeral establishment in Portland has achieved two distinct records which mark it as an exceptional concern, even in New England where old-established concerns are many. It has been in existence for over a century—to be more exact, one hundred and eleven years to the time of writing; and throughout those years, it has been operated by successive generations of the same family. The Rich family has played an important part in the community's life, and its present representative, Irving L. Rich, has, in addition to his management of the S. S. Rich and Son Funeral Home, identified his name with many other activities: banking, civic and professional organizations, fraternal affairs.

The present Mr. Rich's great-grandfather, Samuel Snow Rich, was born in Portland, February 22, 1809, when the state of Maine was still a part of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Even this early ancestor was of the fourth generation of the Rich family to have resided in Maine, his own great-grandfather, Lemuel Rich, having settled at Gorham in 1763. In turn, this Lemuel Rich, who was born in 1712 at Truro, on Cape Cod, was of the fourth generation in this country, his great-grandfather, Richard Rich, having immigrated to these shores in 1623 and settled at Dover, New Hampshire. Richard Rich had been dele-

gated to come to this country in the interest of his family connection, principally that of Robert Rich, the Earl of Warwick, who was at the head of the Plymouth colonization plan. Thus the family may claim title to being one of the oldest in the country, as well as conducting one of the Portland business firms longest identified with the name of one clan.

At eight years of age, Samuel S. Rich, founder of S. S. Rich and Son, was left an orphan by the death of his father, his mother having passed away the previous year. Under the care of a maternal aunt, young Samuel attended Portland public schools, and at the age of fourteen was apprenticed to a cabinetmaker of the town, Jacob A. Card. When in 1829 Mr. Card closed out his business, he gave Samuel Rich his minority. Ready to assume a man's responsibility, young Rich continued working as a journeyman until he had mastered the trade, and established himself in business. In the meantime, he had married Sarah M. Witham. There is record of his service in public office: he was at one time crier in the United States Court.

At twenty-nine years of age, Samuel S. Rich expanded his enterprise, adding to the cabinetmaking line the manufacture of coffins, and the undertaking profession which usually accompanied it. His new establishment, of sufficient capacity to accommodate the various aspects of his venture, was opened on Exchange Street on September 15, 1838. A simple story-and-a-half frame structure, it denoted a location which was to be the headquarters of the firm for eighty-seven years, a location to become identified as 106 Exchange Street, a location where succeeding members of the firm were to serve their apprenticeship, and grow to the stature of successive heads of the firm.



In 1851 Samuel S. Rich took into the business his son, Andrew Jackson Rich. During the next thirty-two years the two operated together, the founder passing away in 1883. In his later years, he had entered shipping and real estate, and had acquired extensive interests in both, at one time owning part interest in twenty-eight vessels. He was elected to the common council by the citizens of Portland for the 1871-1872 term, and was an active lodgeman, being a charter member of Harmony Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was also a member of the Maine Charitable Mechanics Association. The great fire of 1866 burned out the business during the association of the founder and his son. Immediately thereafter a new frame block was erected on the same site.

In all, Andrew Jackson Rich was engaged for sixty-one years in the business founded by his father, he having left school to become associated with his parent at the age of seventeen. Born in Portland, September 14, 1834, he received his education in the school kept by Master Jackson, which was located not far from the Unitarian Church on Congress Street. He became a partner in the firm at twenty-one, thus giving it the name it was to maintain throughout succeeding years: S. S. Rich and Son. For about thirty years, he served his fellow townsmen in the office of coroner, and was, like his father, an active fraternalist. He married, in 1856, Ellen Susan Winchester, and a son, Herbert Webster, was born to them.

Herbert Webster Rich, of the third generation of the family engaged in the management of the firm, and father of Irving L. Rich, entered the employ of the S. S. Rich and Son Funeral Home in

1880. Thus for the ensuing three years, three generations of the family worked side by side in the establishment in which all took a proud interest. After the death of the founder, Herbert W. Rich was made a full partner. In 1892, the firm experienced the second disastrous fire in its history when the entire row of buildings on Exchange Street which included it was gutted. Rebuilding on the same site, the company erected their quarters this time with an eye to greater permanence, and the resulting modern brick building remained their headquarters for the succeeding thirty-three years.

Herbert W. Rich was, like his father and grandfather, a native of Portland, and received his education in that city prior to entering the family enterprise at the age of nineteen. For ten years, he held office as city coroner, succeeding his father. Before he retired, he had been active in business for over forty years. He married Elva L. Sterling, and their son Irving Lockhart Rich, who was to succeed his father as representative of the fourth generation to manage the S. S. Rich and Son funeral home, was born September 15, 1886.

Entering the world only three years after the death of the founder, his great-grandfather, he was early acquainted with the operations of the firm. He received his education in the Portland High School, from which he graduated in 1905, and at Bowdoin College, where he took the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1909. In that year he became a member of the firm of S. S. Rich and Son. In 1912, his grandfather, Andrew Jackson Rich, died; and following a precedent now well established in the family, Irving L. Rich became in that year a member of the firm. Herbert Webster Rich is now also de-

ceased, and Irving Rich is senior member and owner of the firm. He is also active in other phases of Portland commercial life, particularly banking. He is president and director of the Casco Homestead Savings and Loan Association of Portland, having held directorship since 1926, and the presidency since 1937. He is past president of the Maine League of Loan and Building Associations.

Professionally, Mr. Rich is well established among his colleagues in funeral direction. He is a member and past president of the Maine Funeral Directors Association; member and past president of the Tri-State Funeral Directors Association, membership of which comprises the states of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont; and member of the National Funeral Directors Association. He was treasurer of the Maine Undertakers Association from 1914 to 1928; and was secretary of the Maine Funeral Directors Association from 1929 until 1937. Locally, he is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and a charter member of the Kiwanis Club of Portland; also a member of the Cumberland Club, and a former member of the Portland Club, and the lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Maine Charitable Mechanics Association.

Mr. Rich has many Masonic affiliations. He holds the rare and coveted Thirty-third degree, and is past master of his lodge, Ancient Landmark No. 17, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Portland. He belongs to the Mount Vernon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, the Portland Council, Royal and Select Masters, and the Portland Commandery, Knights Templar. He is a member and thrice Potent Master of the Yates Lodge of Perfection, member of the Portland

Council of the Princes of Jerusalem, of the Dunlap Chapter of the Rose Croix, and was member and Commander in Chief of the Maine Consistory from 1940 to 1946. He has also been a member of the Maine Conclave of the Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, of which he was Most Puissant Sovereign from 1936 to 1939. He is a member of the Deering Lodge No. 59 of the Order of the Eastern Star, and was Worthy Patron of that body in 1937. Mr. Rich is a member of Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Lewiston, and was in 1928-1929 president of the Portland Shrine Club, of which he is still a member. He is also a member of the Past Masters Association of Cumberland County, and of the Maine Council of Deliberation.

Mr. Rich's college fraternity is Alpha Delta Phi, which he joined while an undergraduate at Bowdoin. He is also a member of the Bowdoin Club of Portland.

In September, 1925, the firm of S. S. Rich and Son moved from its address of eighty-seven years' standing, to its present uptown location at 11 Mellen Street, the former James E. Wengren home, which was completely remodeled and converted into an impressive funeral home, offering the public every conceivable facility. It need not be said that a firm of as long and honorable standing as that of S. S. Rich and Son enjoys a rather exceptional prestige among the morticians' establishments of Portland.

Irving Lockhart Rich married, on June 9, 1914, Mildred Lang, daughter of J. Frank and Florence (Drew) Lang. Mrs. Rich is past president of the MacDowell Club of Portland. She and Mr. Rich are the parents of a daughter, Elizabeth Prescott, born August 16, 1917. She attended



Westbrook Junior College at Portland, and is a graduate of Bradford Junior College of Bradford, Massachusetts. She is a member of the Junior League of Portland. Elizabeth Prescott Rich married Edward Clark Jones of Cape Elizabeth, on June 1, 1940. Mr. Jones is now assisting in the firm of S. S. Rich and Son. They are the parents of a son, Edward Clark, Jr., born in 1942, and of a daughter, Judith Windsor, born in 1946.

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**COBB, Norman Ernest, M.D.**

Widely known for his contribution to the professional world, Dr. Norman Ernest Cobb is engaged in an extensive practice of medicine in Calais.

Dr. Cobb was born July 18, 1902, in Calais, son of Walter L. and May C. (Bowman) Cobb. His father was president and treasurer for many years of the Eastern Pulpwood Company until his retirement. The mother passed away in 1925.

Calais schools provided Dr. Norman Ernest Cobb's formal education through the high school grades. Later he entered Boston University, attending the College of Liberal Arts and graduating from the Medical School in 1927, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He served an internship at Massachusetts Memorial Hospital in 1927 and 1928, then began his practice at Calais in 1928. Here he has continued down to the time of writing, building up an ever wider and always appreciative clientele. He established the St. Croix Clinic at Calais Hospital, where he is senior physician at the time of writing. He is also a member of the medical staff of Chipman Memorial Hospital, in St. Stephen, New Brunswick, and also of the staff of Calais Hospital.

Taking a deep interest in the life of the Calais community, Dr. Cobb is a Republi-

can in his political views and a member of many local organizations, including the Alpha Kappa Kappa fraternity and the Free and Accepted Masons. His Masonic affiliations include connections with lodge, Royal Arch chapter, council of Royal and Select Masters, Knights Templar commandery, and Anah Temple in Bangor of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

During World War II Dr. Cobb served in the Naval Medical Corps, enlisting in 1942 and receiving the commission of lieutenant commander. He served in the Pacific theater, retiring to inactive duty in 1946 with the rank of commander. He is a member today of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. His professional connections include memberships in the Washington County Medical Society, the New Brunswick Medical Association, the Maine State Medical Society and the American Medical Association, as well as fellowships in the American College of Surgeons and the American College of Chest Physicians. He belongs to the Baptist Church.

Dr. Norman Ernest Cobb married, in May, 1928, in Springfield, Massachusetts, Ruth Knapp, daughter of Allen H. and Belle Knapp. The Cobbs became the parents of two daughters: 1. May Belle, born in Calais, attended Calais High School, afterward a student in the home economics department of the University of Maine, class of 1952. 2. Barbara Elizabeth.

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**FAHEY, A. Austin**

A native of Eastport, A. Austin Fahey has had a brilliant career as a construction superintendent and engineer. Since January 15, 1949, Mr. Fahey has been city manager of Eastport.

He was born October 31, 1889 in East-



port, the son of Michael and Emma (Sinnott) Fahey. His father died in 1927, and his mother, who is now eighty-two years old, lives with him in Eastport. Mr. Fahey attended the Eastport High School and Cornell University, from which he was graduated in 1914 with the degree of Civil Engineer. After graduation from Cornell, he entered the employ of the Boston & Albany Railroad as a civil engineer on railroad construction work and remained with the road until 1925, except for the period of his service in the United States Army during World War I. He spent two years in France as a member of the Engineer Corps and received his honorable discharge in May, 1919, with the rank of first lieutenant.

Mr. Fahey is licensed as a professional engineer in New York State. From 1925 to 1931 he was associated with the Turner Construction Company of New York as construction superintendent and engineer, working on the James River Bridge from Newport News to Norfolk, Virginia, a five-mile span, and many other projects. From 1931 to 1936 he was construction superintendent for the Work Construction Company of Philadelphia and during this period was engaged in construction of the Viscose plant at Meadville, Pennsylvania, and other plants. From 1936 to 1940 he was research engineer, inspector and engineering examiner for the Public Works Administration of the United States Government, and from 1940 to 1946 budget examiner and supervisor of expenditures for the United States Government Bureau of Budget. From 1946 to 1947 Mr. Fahey was analyst for the United States Government Civilian Production Agency. In 1948 he returned to Maine and spent six months as superintendent of construction at the University of Maine.

Mr. Fahey was appointed city manager of his native city of Eastport on January 15, 1949, a post for which his manifold activities in the engineering field have given him special qualifications. He is a member of the American Society of Professional Engineers and of the Cornell Society of Civil Engineers. In politics Mr. Fahey votes an independent ticket. He is a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

On June 23, 1923 at Albany, New York, A. Austin Fahey was married to Alama Thibdeau of Holyoke, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Fahey have three children: 1. Patricia Alvera, born in April, 1924. She attended Walden High School in New York and the American Academy of Dramatic Arts. 2. Michael Austin and 3. Louise, twins, born in 1927. Michael Austin Fahey graduated from the Holyoke, Massachusetts, High School and during World War II served in the United States Navy on an aircraft carrier in the Pacific theater. Louise graduated from the Holyoke High School and married Edward Taylor, a captain in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II, serving in the European theater. Louise (Fahey) Taylor has a son, Edward Taylor, Jr.

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#### **HILL, Warren Martin**

Warren M. Hill has been, since 1912, manager of the Eastern Trust & Banking Company of Machias, Maine, and he is a partner in the Hill & Mealey Lumber Company at Marshfield. Mr. Hill is a trustee of the Porter Memorial Library and is otherwise active in community affairs.

He was born in Machias November 11, 1891, the son of Samuel W. and Adelaide A. (Holmes) Hill. Samuel W. Hill died in 1932. Warren Martin Hill was edu-

cated in the local schools and in 1908 graduated from the Machias High School. That same year he entered the employ of the Machias Banking Company, and has now been identified with the banking profession in Machias for more than forty years. Mr. Hill was associated with the Machias Banking Company from 1908 to 1912, when this bank was absorbed by the Eastern Trust & Banking Company. He was made manager of the Eastern Trust & Banking Company at that time and has continued to serve in this capacity ever since, except for the period of his service in the United States Navy during World War I, when he was stationed at the West Hingham, Massachusetts, Ammunition Dump. Mr. Hill is a Republican, and is on the board of trustees of the Congregational Church. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Royal Arch Masons, Knights Templar and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. During World War II he took an active part in defense work, including war bond drives. He serves on the board of trustees of the Porter Memorial Library.

On July 9, 1917 at Princeton, Maine, Warren Martin Hill was married to Grace S. Morrison, the daughter of Theodore and Charlotte (Shaw) Morrison. Mr. and Mrs. Hill have two children: 1. Rebecca, born June 7, 1920, a graduate of Machias High School and Wheaton College. She married William B. Talbot, who served as a captain of infantry in the United States Army in the European theater during World War II and is now a lawyer in the office of Dunbar & Vose of Machias. Mr. and Mrs. Talbot have a son, James. 2. Virginia, born January 7, 1925, a graduate of Machias High School, Bradford Junior College and

Katharine Gibbs School. She married Thor Brehmer of Montclair, New Jersey, a graduate of Harvard University and during World War II a radar officer in a submarine, with the rank of lieutenant senior grade in the United States Navy. He is now a chemist with E. I. du Pont de Nemours Company.

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#### **FRYE, Alburnety W.**

Few men in the state of Maine have been in the insurance business longer, and none can claim more fruitful endeavors in this field of service, than Alburnety W. Frye, who is state manager for Maine and New Hampshire for the Maccabees Legal Reserve Insurance Association, with offices on Exchange Street in Portland. Since prior to the turn of the century, Mr. Frye has been engaged in the insurance business, in association with the Maccabees organization. He has fathered extensive programs for the relief and assistance of beneficiaries, has been prominent in the banking field, and has held the chief executive offices in the Maccabees. A native of Maine, he returned after many years of important connections elsewhere, and in 1938 took charge as state manager of Maine and New Hampshire, a responsibility for which his qualifications were unexcelled.

Mr. Frye was born at Eaton on November 15, 1867. His parents were William W. and Sarah Jane (Stamp) Frye. He received a country school education, after which he completed courses at Gray's Portland Business College. In his early years Mr. Frye followed the occupations of farming and lumbering, first in his native state, and later in the state of Washington. Thereafter he profited by the broadening experience of three years spent in South Africa, fifteen months of which time were passed in the diamond





*Robert J. Frye*





fields there. Shortly before the outbreak of the Spanish-American War, A. W. Frye returned to Maine, and entered the insurance business at Portland and at Berlin, New Hampshire; so that his continuous association with this field dates from 1897. While he was getting his start in insurance, the rallying cry "Remember the Maine!" summoned patriotic young civilians to the uniform for military service against Spain, and Mr. Frye enlisted as a private in Company E of the First District of Columbia Regiment. At the termination of that conflict, he was discharged with the rank of quartermaster sergeant.

On resuming the duties and ways of civilian life Mr. Frye became associated with the Maccabees, thus beginning one of the longest tenures of service in important office in the records of that organization. His first location was at Norfolk, Virginia, after which he became state manager of the organization for the states of New Jersey, Maryland, and Delaware. He was later supervisor for eastern Pennsylvania, and was thereafter given the responsibilities of field superintendent of the United States and Canada field forces.

In January, 1923, Mr. Frye was appointed Supreme President of the Maccabees, with headquarters at Detroit, Michigan, in the affairs of which city he was destined to be active for some years to come. He was elected president of the Maccabees in July, 1925; and in 1926 officiated at the dedication of the fourteen-story building constructed by the organization at the corner of Putnam and Woodward avenues in Detroit—a building whose appearance is familiar to every Maccabee, as a photograph of this spacious modern structure appears on the letterheads of the organization. A. W.

Frye was largely instrumental in its erection, having been chairman of the board in charge of construction.

Also while a resident of Detroit, Mr. Frye was a director of the American State Bank, one of the largest in that city, and was also a member of its finance committee.

One of Mr. Frye's accomplishments while president of the Maccabees was to readjust the rates of the entire membership from the old assessment plan to a legal reserve system. Another was the beginning of policy-writing for women and children, and while Mr. Frye was in office the first forty thousand women and ten thousand children were admitted to membership. The free nursing system was also instituted during the years of Mr. Frye's administration.

Mr. Frye was also instrumental in building the large Maccabee home at Chatham, Pennsylvania, for the comfort and security of aged men and women unable to take care of themselves, and who were policy holders in the Maccabees. He also acquired for the organization, and enlarged and renovated for its projected use, a beautiful home at Alma, Michigan, for the same purpose.

Thus Mr. Frye had built up a notable record of service when in 1938 he returned to his native state to assume the responsibilities of manager for Maine and New Hampshire. The organization at the present time offers a flexible program and strong financial backing; over two hundred and ninety million dollars worth of insurance being in force, and assets of over seventy million dollars being owned by the association. Licensed to write policies in the United States and Canada, the Maccabees have over seventy years' experience in sickness and accident coverage, and a still greater length of experi-

ence in writing life insurance policies. There are thirty different plans to choose from: straight life and endowment policies, life paid-up policies, and all types of sickness and accident coverage, as well as such varied programs as whole-family protection and educational endowments for children. Mr. Frye's influence has been significant in bringing the benefits of the Maccabees 100% Legal Reserve Insurance to the high level of public service in effect today. It has won the lasting gratitude of numerous beneficiaries, and the high regard of the public at large. It exemplifies the most ethical, reliable and helpful type of fraternal insurance.

Mr. Frye is prominently identified with a number of other fraternal organizations. He is a member of Hiram Lodge, in South Portland, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, having become affiliated with the Masonic order in Newark, New Jersey. He belongs to the Portland Consistory, and holds the Thirty-second degree, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite; and is a member of the Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is past patron of the Order of the Eastern Star at Newark, New Jersey. He belongs also to the Knights of Pythias, having joined the chapter at Gilman, in the state of Washington, many years ago. He is also fraternally affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, being a member of their lodges at Newport News, Virginia. His record has been that of a lifelong and devoted fraternalist.

As a veteran of the Spanish-American War, Mr. Frye is a member of the post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Locally, he belongs to the Reciprocity Club of Portland, and to the South Portland

Kiwanis Club. He is a loyal communicant of the Elm Street Methodist Church of South Portland, serving that congregation as a member of the board of trustees and the finance committee. The outdoor activities of hunting and fishing provide Mr. Frye with varied recreation. In politics he is a Republican, as have been members of his family for many years.

In Washington, D. C., May 21, 1898, Alburnety W. Frye married Octavia Lombard, of Baldwin, Maine, daughter of James and Novelia (Savage) Lombard; Bishop Frank M. Bristol of the Methodist Church performing the ceremony. Mrs. Frye died April 5, 1945. They were the parents of one son: Milo J., who was born at Biddeford, and who died in September, 1946, at Madison, Wisconsin. Milo J. Frye attended schools at Chat-ham, Pennsylvania and Madison, Wisconsin. Like his father, he entered the insurance business, choosing the latter location as the seat of his activities. He married Magdalene Lewis of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and they were the parents of three children: i. Martha Novelia. ii. Alburnety, II, who served in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II, and is now located at Derry, New Hampshire, where he is engaged in the insurance business under the direction of his grandfather. iii. Marjorie Josephine. Mr. Frye also has four great-grandchildren: Milo Rae Frye; and Patricia E., Richard J., and Marjorie J. Woodrow.

#### **BUCKNAM, William Wood**

Owner of the William W. Bucknam Funeral Home, established by his father in 1874 in Machias, William W. Bucknam also conducts a general insurance business in Machias. He has been identified with both of these lines of endeavor for more than thirty years, and in both has



maintained a high reputation of service to the community.

He was born in Machias January 11, 1884, the son of Eugene M. and Harriet (Hughes) Buchnam. His father, who on December 11, 1874 established the undertaking business now conducted by Mr. Buchnam, died in 1922. Harriet (Hughes) Bucknam died in 1931. After attending the Machias High School, Mr. Bucknam took his professional training at the Renouard Training School for Embalmers in New York, finishing his course in May, 1916. He passed the state examinations given by the Maine Board of Funeral Examiners that same year and at once became associated with his father in the family business. Since his father's death in 1922, he has been sole owner of the William W. Bucknam Funeral Home.

Mr. Bucknam also operates a general insurance business. This dates from January, 1918, when he purchased the insurance business then conducted by Mowry Gardner and also that conducted by William G. Means, Sr. On January 8, 1941 Mr. Bucknam purchased in addition the Fred Bogus Insurance Agency, which he added to his own insurance business. Mr. Bucknam is a member of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce. Professionally he is identified with the National Funeral Directors Association and the Maine State Funeral Directors Association. He is affiliated fraternally with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Royal Arch Masons and Knights Templar, the Order of the Eastern Star, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Rebeccas. He is a Republican and a Congregationalist. During World War II Mr. Bucknam took an active part in war bond drives and other patriotic work.

On August 27, 1919 at Eastport, Maine,

he was married to Ella C. Ray, the daughter of George R. and Martha (Newcomb) Ray. Mr. and Mrs. Bucknam have one son, William Ray Bucknam, born January 2, 1921. He graduated from Machias High School, Washington State Normal School, and the University of Maine, majoring in mathematics. During World War II he was a naval pilot instructor, enlisting in 1942 and receiving his honorable discharge in March, 1947, with the rank of lieutenant senior grade. He married Phyllis Shain of Woodland, Maine, and they have a daughter, Nancy Linda.

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#### **NEAL, Frank Richard**

Formerly a master mariner, known in the shipping industry throughout the world, Frank Richard Neal of Eastport has, since 1919, been an outstanding figure in the fishing and canning industry of Maine. He is now manager of the Frank R. Neal Company, a firm he established and owned until 1949. He is a veteran of World War I.

Mr. Neal was born in Boston on May 5, 1880, the son of Frank W. Neal, who was in the fish business in Boston, and of Helen (Marshall) Neal. The father died in 1928, the mother in 1926. Frank R. Neal was educated in the public schools of Boston. He began his career on the sea, and at an early age became a master mariner, piloting vessels of all types, both sail and steam, and sailing all over the world. He still holds a master's license for steam and sailing vessels, of unlimited tonnage, on all oceans.

In 1919 Mr. Neal came to Maine as manager of the Eastcoast Fisheries in Eastport. He retained this office until 1921. In January, 1949, Mr. Neal sold this enterprise to Frank J. O'Hara, a lifelong friend who is a large operator in the fish and ice business in Portland and

Rockland. He has, however, continued as manager of the concern, which deals in fresh- and salt-water fish and lobsters, shipping into all sections of the United States. The firm also buys fish and lobsters for other dealers.

Mr. Neal took time out from private shipping in the World War I period to serve with the United States Navy. He was in France from 1917 to 1919.

Active today in Masonry, Mr. Neal is a member of the Blue Lodge in Eastport, the Royal Arch Masons, the Knights Templar and of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in Boston. He is a Republican.

Mr. Neal married Irene Grant of Eastport, the daughter of Robert and Dora Grant. Their home is at 24 Third Street, his office on Sea Street.

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#### **FOWLIE, Howard D.**

Active for many years in educational affairs, Howard D. Fowlie has been superintendent of schools of the town of Freeport since July, 1944.

Mr. Fowlie was born April 4, 1898, in Enfield, Maine, son of Delacy Evans and Legusta Martha (Cromwell) Fowlie. His father, a native of New Brunswick, settled in Enfield at an early period, where he became engaged in the contracting business. The mother, also a native of New Brunswick, settled in young girlhood at Enfield. Their son, Howard D. Fowlie, attended grade schools at Dover-Foxcroft, Maine, and from 1921 to 1925 attended Hebron Academy, being graduated as valedictorian of his class. From 1925 to 1927, he attended Colby College. Before returning to his later studies at the University of Maine, Mr. Fowlie was engaged for a time in practical teaching, and served as principal of Lagrange High School from 1929 to 1931. Then, until

1935 he was principal of Wytovitlock High School. From 1935 to 1937 he served as sub-master at Freedom Academy. In 1937 and 1938, he was in residence at the University of Maine, where he had attended summer school sessions, and in 1938 he received his degree of Bachelor of Arts in Education there.

From that year until 1944, Mr. Fowlie was connected with School Union 93, embracing the townships of Castine, Brooksville, Islesboro, and Penobscot. In July, 1940, he assumed his present duties as superintendent of schools in the town of Freeport. Not only has he been active in teaching and administrative work, but Mr. Fowlie is also a member of the Maine Teachers Association and the National Education Association. He is president of the Superintendent's Round Table and belongs to the Portland Club and the Eastern Bridge League. Fishing and bridge are two of his favorite hobbies. Fraternally he is connected with the Free and Accepted Masons, as well as Kappa Delta Rho and Kappa Delta Pi. He is a member of the Baptist Church.

Howard D. Fowlie married June 16, 1928, at Harmony, Maine, Betty Evelyn Frances Gunter, daughter of Minot Burnham and Grace Mildred Gunter. Two children were born of this marriage: 1. Beverly Marie, at Wytovitlock, on January 12, 1934; attended grade and high schools at Freeport. 2. Shirley Ann, born September 4, 1939, at Castine.

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#### **MAZZACANE, Walter D., M.D.**

Centering his medical practice at Old Orchard Beach, Dr. Walter D. Mazzacane has built up an extensive office practice and is affiliated with some of the leading hospitals and medical institutions in this area.

Dr. Mazzacane was born October 20,





Walter Mazzarone





1908, in Corona, Long Island, New York, son of John Frederick and Ella (Mendillo) Mazzacane. His father was a wholesale grocer, and after the family moved to New Haven, Connecticut, in 1918, was the owner of considerable real estate in that region. When the family settled in New Haven, Walter D. Mazzacane was ten years old. After having received his preliminary schooling in New York City, he attended New Haven schools and was graduated from New Haven High School. In 1931 he received his degree of Bachelor of Arts from the University of Alabama, then studied medicine in the Royal University of Naples, Italy, where he was graduated as a Doctor of Medicine in 1936. There followed a series of internships, first at the Polyclinic Hospital in Naples in 1935 and 1936; then afterward at Griffin Hospital, Derby, Connecticut, from 1937 to 1939; and at St. Raphael's Hospital, New Haven, from 1939 to July, 1941. It was at that time that he came to Old Orchard Beach, and established himself in practice as a physician and surgeon.

Dr. Mazzacane is a member of the staffs of Webber Hospital and Trull Hospital, both in Biddeford. During World War II he served as medical examiner of Selective Service Board No. 2 at Old Orchard Beach, and acted at the same time as chairman of the medical unit of Civilian Defense. He belongs to the American Academy of General Practice, the York County Medical Association, the Maine Medical Association, and the American Medical Association, and is a leading knight in the Biddeford chapter of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of St. Margaret's Roman Catholic Church in Old Orchard Beach. He is president and owner of the Old Orchard Beach Country Club and a

co-owner of the Old Orchard Beach Golf Club.

At Brewster, New York, on September 1, 1934, Dr. Walter D. Mazzacane married Rosamond Martin of New Haven, Connecticut, daughter of Joseph and Julia (Triano) Martin. Dr. and Mrs. Mazzacane became the parents of the following children: 1. Walter A., born in March, 1938. 2. Linda Julia, born January, 1941, in Biddeford. 3. Paul Martin, born in March, 1945, in Biddeford.

#### **PINANSKY, Max Louis**

One of the most popular figures in public life and private practice in the state of Maine, Max Louis Pinansky of Portland has ably represented his district in the state senate, and has an enviable record at the bench as judge of the Portland municipal court. He has practiced in Portland for over thirty-five years, has won high standing as a representative of his profession, and has taken a very active part in civic, fraternal and religious affairs.

Mr. Pinansky is a native of Boston, Massachusetts, born December 11, 1887, son of Louis and Louisa (Birnbaum) Pinansky. He attended Harvard University, where he graduated with the class of 1909, and began the practice of law in his native city that same year. Mr. Pinansky was admitted to practice at the Maine bar in 1913, and in that year removed his practice to Portland, where he has been located since. Mr. Pinansky became judge of the municipal court of Portland in 1927, serving until 1931. In 1934 he was elected state senator from Cumberland County, Maine, and held a seat in the State Senate until 1936. He was elected delegate representing Maine and Portland at the National Farm School Conference in New York City in 1926,

and is the national director for Maine of the National Farm School.

Both the high standard of his private practice and his ability as demonstrated in public office have contributed to Mr. Pinansky's popularity, and this position he has used to advantage in furthering the cause of inter-racial friendship, one of his dominant interests. Mr. Pinansky was founder, and in 1931 president, of the Inter-Racial Fellowship of America. He was a member, representing the people, on the Regional National Labor Relations Board. Active in the Zionist Organization of America, he was president of the Maine District of this organization in 1926-1927, and a vice president of the New England District in the latter year. He has been director of the Jewish Home for the Aged, and treasurer of the Pine Tree Humane Society. He was founder and first president of Temple Israel, and as a leader in B'nai B'rith was one of its founders in the State of Maine, was Chief Justice of the District Court of District No. 1 in 1925-1926, and a member of its General Committee.

Professionally, Mr. Pinansky is a member of the Municipal Court Judges' Association, of which he was president in 1930-1931. He is active in such charitable organizations as the Maine Juvenile Aid Society, of which he was founder in 1928; the Maine Institute for the Blind; and the Salvation Army, which he has served as a member of the advisory board. Vitrally interested in the cause of good education, he was elected a member of Portland's school board in 1932, and is a member of the Parent-Teachers Association. He served on the school board for nine years. His interest in agricultural subjects has been suggested above, and he is a member of the National Farm School, and of the Deering Grange of the

Patrons of Husbandry, and is a Seventh degree Granger.

Mr. Pinansky is a member of Gamma Phi Epsilon fraternity, and of a number of lodges, including those of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Improved Order of Red Men, the Knights of Pythias, and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He belongs also to the Lions International, the Portland Athletic Club, the Economics Club and the Harvard Club. He worships at Shaarey Tphiloh Synagogue.

Max Louis Pinansky married, on January 5, 1913 in Portland, Anna Rae Bernstein, daughter of Robert B. Bernstein, and they have become the parents of eight children: Louisa W., Irving M., Harold L., William D., Charles E., Mortimer M., Laura G., and Ida E. The family makes its home at 462 Cumberland Avenue in Portland, and Mr. Pinansky's business address is 443 Congress Street.

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#### **BURR, Kenneth T.**

As treasurer and general manager of the Bancroft and Martin Rolling Mills, Kenneth T. Burr occupies a position of leadership and distinction in Portland's business life.

Mr. Burr was born June 2, 1893, in Dorchester, Massachusetts, son of Charles S. and Anna M. (Towle) Burr, of Boston. His father was engaged in the wholesale millinery business in Boston for many years until his retirement at the age of eighty-seven years. Kenneth T. Burr attended Dorchester schools through the high school grades, and attended Bowdoin College, class of 1916. Then he entered the business world, serving from 1916 until 1919 as superintendent of the New England Bolt Company, of Boston. In July, 1919, he became as-



sociated with the Bancroft and Martin Rolling Mills in Portland. His first association was as general manager, and afterward he added to the duties of managership those of treasurer, holding both offices from 1925.

In addition, Mr. Burr is a director of the National Bank of Commerce (Portland), as well as of the New England Boat Company (Boston). He is also director of W. E. Clark and Company (Boston), and Thomas Laughlin Company of Portland.

In spare time, Mr. Burr takes a lively interest in the work of different organizations and groups in this region of Maine. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce of Portland. During World War I, Mr. Burr was a second lieutenant in the Army Air Force. He enjoys outdoor life and golf.

In Boston, in 1920, Kenneth T. Burr married Edith Montague, daughter of Fred Montague, of that city. They became the parents of a daughter, Barbara Burr, born February 18, 1921, in Portland. She graduated from the Katharine Gibbs School, and was married to Edward F. Everett, of Portland. Their two children, Christopher and Hilary Everett, were both born in Portland.

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#### **FOBES, Theodore B.**

A firm known wherever paints and varnishes are used and merchandized is the Burgess, Fobes Company of Portland, founded in 1858 and hence a pioneer in its field. Theodore B. Fobes, member of both families which have been involved in its management and growth since its founding, is treasurer of the company. He is a man who is active in the community outside his business interests, as is his wife, and is prominent both in civic enterprises and in his church, the

Congregational. He is a veteran of World War I.

Mr. Fobes was born in Portland on June 7, 1895, the son of Leon Melcher and Anne (Burgess) Fobes. Mr. Fobes's father was born in that city on March 29, 1869, and died in 1924. He was a graduate of the Portland High School and in 1892 took his degree of Bachelor of Arts at Bowdoin College. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He was president of the Burgess, Fobes Company until his death, having served in that capacity for ten years. Anne Burgess Fobes was also a native of Portland. Born on July 3, 1869, she died on January 20, 1931. Her father, Henry H. Burgess, was one of the three men who in 1858 founded the large paint and varnish manufacturing concern. Associated with him in the founding were Leander W. Fobes, the present treasurer's paternal grandfather, and Charles Fobes, his great uncle.

Theodore B. Fobes was graduated from the Portland High School in 1913 and from Bowdoin College in 1917. The college awarded him the degree of Bachelor of Arts and the high quality of his scholarship brought him election to Phi Beta Kappa, as it had done his father. He took special postgraduate courses at Columbia University in New York. Mr. Fobes had barely completed his education when, in December, 1917, he entered the Quartermaster Corps of the United States Army. He served not only to the end of the war but considerably beyond, not being discharged until June, 1919. When he returned to civilian life, he entered the family business, then headed by his father, and was assigned to the factory, where he learned the details of paint and varnish manufacturing. In 1923, a year before his father's death, he was elected treasurer of the company, and this office he has con-

tinued to occupy since that time. Burgess, Fobes Company is not only one of the pioneers in its field, but in 1923 added to its facilities those of another pioneer—the August P. Fuller Company of South Portland. The Fuller organization was established in 1832. Its South Portland plant is today the varnish factory of Burgess, Fobes Company, which, incidentally, maintains its head offices and main plant at 106-122 Commercial Street, in Portland.

Mr. Fobes is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Portland Round Table Club. He is clerk of the State Street Congregational Church, Portland. Besides Phi Beta Kappa, he belongs to Psi Upsilon fraternity.

Mr. Fobes married Ruth W. Carter in Portland on June 7, 1918. Born in Portland, Mrs. Fobes is the daughter of George W. and Alma W. (Wiggin) Carter. She was graduated from the Portland High School in 1913 and in 1918 was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science by Nason College for Women at Springvale. A leader in Portland's civic, social and welfare circles, Mrs. Fobes is a former president of the Portland Council of Social Agencies, a former president of the Portland Young Women's Christian Association and a member of the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Association. Mr. and Mrs. Fobes reside at Cape Elizabeth.

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#### **SHEAFFER, Lewis John**

Lewis John Sheaffer, who is general manager as well as vice president and treasurer of the firm of R. P. Hazzard Co., shoe manufacturers, has been associated for twenty years with that capital city concern, one of the oldest of its kind in continuous operation in the United States. He has come up from the bottom, through superintendencies, to his present posi-

tion of executive responsibility, through a combination of qualities which have made his services invaluable to the firm; and he has devoted himself loyally to it throughout his career. He is also prominent in banking, and in civic service, as well as joining in the activities of an impressive number of local organizations. Mr. Sheaffer is a man of stature among the business leaders of Augusta.

A Pennsylvanian by birth, Mr. Sheaffer was born in Hanover, April 9, 1905, son of George and Lucy (Kohr) Sheaffer, his father being a shoemaker by trade. He received his primary schooling in the public grade schools there, and graduated from the Hanover High School in 1923. Among those selected for admission to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, Mr. Sheaffer graduated from that school in 1927 with the rank of ensign. He continued to hold his commission in the United States Navy from June, 1927 to July, 1929, in which year he left the service permanently to enter business life.

At this time, Mr. Sheaffer first came to the state of Maine, and associated himself, on July 1, 1929, with the R. P. Hazzard Co., in Augusta, with which he has remained throughout the two decades since. For a long time one of the largest manufacturers of shoes in the United States, the Hazzard Company sells its product to a nationwide market, and has maintained a high standard of quality. As an industry, it figures prominently in the economic life of the capital city. Its president is Robert Parks Hazzard, Jr., (q.v.), member of a family long active in the firm's leadership.

During his first year with the concern, Mr. Sheaffer devoted himself to learning the manufacturing processes. He was successively superintendent of the women's





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shoe unit, superintendent of the men's shoe unit, purchasing agent, and general manager. Having gained a thorough knowledge of the operations of the company, Mr. Sheaffer was an apt selection for general manager, and in 1935, he became in addition vice president and treasurer of the R. P. Hazzard Co.

He is a director of the Depositors Trust Company of Augusta, and serves the town of Farmingdale as moderator. Very active in Masonic affairs, Mr. Sheaffer is a member of all bodies of that great order, both York and Scottish Rite, has attained the Knights Templar and the Thirty-second degree, and is a member of Kora Temple, Lewiston, of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of which temple he was in 1943 potentate. Locally, he is a member of the Augusta Executives Club, the Augusta Country Club, and a director of the Young Men's Christian Association. In Gardiner, he is a member of the Boosters Club. Interested in welfare movements, Mr. Sheaffer has been president of Gardiner General Hospital since October, 1947 and also serves as a director of the local area Salvation Army. He belongs to both the Maine and the American hospital associations and among civic groups numbers the Augusta Chamber of Commerce and the Gardiner Board of Trade.

Mr. Sheaffer is president and one of the founders of the Augusta Athletic Association, sponsors of "The Augusta Millionaires," a semi-professional baseball team. He is likewise a member of the Maine Horse Association, and the Boston Chapter of the United States Naval Academy Alumni Club. Mr. Sheaffer, who is an Episcopalian in his religious faith, is a vestryman of Christ Church in Gardiner.

At Pasadena, California, December 29,

1928, Lewis John Sheaffer married Katharine Hazzard, daughter of Robert Parks and Edna G. Hazzard, the former deceased. Her father was for many years head of the R. P. Hazzard Co., a position now occupied by Mrs. Sheaffer's brother, Robert Parks Hazzard, Jr. To Mr. and Mrs. Sheaffer have been born two children: 1. Cynthia, born March 1, 1930. 2. Diane, born February 12, 1932. The family makes its residence at 130 Maine Avenue, Gardiner, Maine.

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#### **BUTTERFIELD, Wilfred Irving, M.D.**

Carrying on an extensive practice of medicine and surgery in Lincoln, Dr. Wilfred Irving Butterfield has distinguished himself by his hospital and institutional work, by his handling of his regular office practice, and through his service as mill doctor at the Eastern Corporation of Lincoln.

Dr. Butterfield was born December 24, 1920, in Bangor, son of Wilfred Irving and Margaret (Ayer) Butterfield. His father was a judge of probate in Bangor, until his death on April 24, 1935.

Bangor schools furnished the early education of Dr. Wilfred Irving Butterfield through the high school grades. Completing his high school studies in 1938, he entered the University of Maine, there receiving his degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1942. He had his medical studies at Tufts College Medical School, where he was graduated as a Doctor of Medicine in 1945, and upon completion of his internship he was made a Diplomate of the National Board of Medical Examiners. In July of that year he began an internship at Cambridge City Hospital, Cambridge, Massachusetts, remaining there until April, 1946. Meanwhile he had been a member of the United States Naval Reserve Corps from 1942, remaining on

inactive duty until the completion of his internship. At that time, in April, 1946, he went on active duty, so continuing until released to inactive duty in August of that year. In January, 1947, Dr. Butterfield opened his own office at No. 119 Main Street, Lincoln, where he still carries on his professional practice.

Dr. Butterfield's contribution to the general betterment of the profession has been an extensive one, mainly through his memberships in the Penobscot County Medical Association, the Maine Medical Association, and the American Medical Association. He is a member of the Phi Mu Delta of the University of Maine, and belongs to the Lincoln Rotary Club, the Lincoln Improvement Association and numerous other local groups. He is a Republican in politics, and a Protestant in his religious faith.

Dr. Wilfred Irving Butterfield married, August 3, 1946, at Yalesville, Connecticut, Elizabeth Marshall Schaefer of Brighton, Massachusetts, daughter of Herbert and Dorothy (Marshall) Schaefer. They became the parents of a son, Wilfred Irving Butterfield, 3rd, born April 6, 1947.

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#### **THOMAS, Herbert Arthur**

The dean of town managers in Maine is Herbert Arthur Thomas, now town manager of Mount Desert, Northeast Harbor. A registered professional engineer of the state of Maine, Mr. Thomas became town manager of Camden in 1925 and was not only that community's first manager but the first to hold such an office in the Pine Tree State. He has a wide background as engineer in public and private service not only in Maine but in the West. He is a veteran of World War I.

Mr. Thomas was born at Andover,

Maine, on August 25, 1883, the son of Frank P. and Lizzie (Hewey) Thomas. His father, who died in 1934, was co-organizer of the International Paper Company and the Oxford Paper Company, with both of which firms he was associated for many years. His ancestors came to America from England. Lizzie (Hewey) Thomas died in 1942.

Herbert A. Thomas was graduated from the Andover High School in 1901, and from the University of Maine in 1905. The university awarded him the degree of Bachelor of Science in Engineering. In the spring of 1906, Mr. Thomas went to the state of Montana and there he pursued a career as engineer for the next seventeen years. For three years he was with the United States Reclamation Service, assigned to engineering work connected with land irrigation projects. For the remainder of his time in the Treasure State, he was privately engaged as an engineer in Dawson County and Richland County. For a time he was also County Engineer of Richland County.

In 1923 Mr. Thomas returned to Maine and for the next year or so was with the Maine State Highway Commission as an engineering executive. In 1925, he began making history in Maine as the first town manager not only in the state but in the town of Camden. He held the Camden office until 1932 and since that year has been town manager of Mount Desert. He has also been tax collector and town treasurer of Mount Desert since 1940. He makes his home at 5 Pleasant Street, Norway.

Mr. Thomas is former president of the Maine City and Town Managers Association and is also active in such Masonic organizations as the Blue Lodge, Royal Arch Masons, Royal and Select Masons, the Knights Templar and Kora Temple,







James A. H. H. H.

Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Bangor. He worships in the Congregational Church and is a Republican.

Mr. Thomas' World War I service took him to France, and to Germany. He was with the United States Army Corps of Engineers and by the time he was honorably discharged in 1919 he had been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant. Afterward, he served four years as a captain of the Montana National Guard.

Mr. Thomas' marriage took place in Glendive, Montana, on May 15, 1908. His bride was Viola Stewart of Glendive, the daughter of Neil and Arletta Stewart. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have six children: 1. Frank Stewart, born on March 7, 1909. 2. Montana, now Mrs. Merritt H. Stiles, born on December 17, 1911. 3. Caroline Florence, now Mrs. Louis Saltus, born on February 7, 1914. 4. Delia Marguerite, now Mrs. Francis Lathrop, born on December 29, 1916. 5. Herbert Arthur, Jr., born on October 3, 1920. 6. Merna Lucille, now Mrs. George O. Cummings, born on December 6, 1921.

Frank Stewart Thomas, now an osteopathic physician practicing at Traverse City, Michigan, is a graduate of Camden High School, Hebron Academy, and the Kirksville, Missouri, College of Osteopathy and Surgery, and attended the University of Maine. He married Harriet Woolley, a registered nurse, and has a son, Neil Stewart Thomas. Mrs. Montana Stiles, a registered nurse, is a graduate of Camden High School and St. Barnabas Hospital, at Newark, New Jersey. Her husband, a native of Spokane, Washington, is a physician and surgeon. They have two children: Henry E., 2nd; and Gardner S. Stiles. Mrs. Caroline Saltus is a graduate of Camden High School and Washington State Normal School, at Ma-

chias, Maine. Her husband is with the United States Navy in New Jersey. They are the parents of four children: Sharon, Linda, Louis, Jr., and Nan Arletta Saltus.

Mrs. Delia Lathrop was educated in the Gilman High School at Mount Desert. She was first married to Eric Magusson, who was an aviator in the United States Navy in World War II and was killed in action in the Pacific Theater of Operations. By her first husband she became the mother of Mary Ann and Eric Magusson, Jr. Her present husband is in the real estate and insurance business at Westerly, Rhode Island. Herbert Arthur Thomas, Jr., educated at Gilman High School and Norwich University, is a civil engineer, practicing his profession at Anchorage, Alaska. He was a first lieutenant in the United States Army Air Forces in World War II, and was separated from the service in January, 1946. He married Lorraine Manchester and is the father of Cheryl Ann and Herbert Arthur Thomas, III. Mrs. Merna Cummings was also educated at Gilman High School at Mount Desert. Her husband, also a physician and surgeon, was with the United States Army Medical Corps in World War II, in which he achieved the rank of captain. Dr. and Mrs. Cummings have three children: George O., 3rd; Daniel H., 2nd; and Mary Stewart.

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#### **MURRAY, James A.**

Down through an exceptionally active and interesting career, James A. Murray has progressed along an early-chosen line of endeavor until ready to establish his own firm, the Murray Machinery Company, one of the largest of its kind in northern New England. His concern is engaged in the sale of machines and



supplies that are used in highway construction and maintenance, ranging from summer road construction to the removal of snow during the winters. Aside from business, he figures prominently in social and fraternal organizations, and technical associations.

Born at Springfield, Massachusetts, on January 26, 1908, James A. Murray is the son of Archibald Murray, and member of a family on the paternal side who came from Aberdeen, Scotland. His father was the first of the family to be born in America. He is as mechanically inclined as his son, and claims to be the first resident of Springfield to own and operate an automobile.

After completing his education in the Newton High School, and Newton School of Technology, James A. Murray started in construction work and gained enough experience to realize that he needed more technical knowledge and practice. In 1933 he joined the United States Army Corps of Engineers, from which he obtained a leave of absence to learn something more about road construction machinery. In that year he entered the American Caterpillar Tractor Company, starting simply as a mechanic. Later he became a salesman for this corporation, and was an expert in this difficult field, probably because he could demonstrate the possibilities of the device under varied conditions.

In 1942 Mr. Murray established the Murray Machinery Company at Pittsfield, but soon after removed his headquarters to Ellsworth. He later set up his headquarters in Augusta, and began establishing branches and representatives at various places. The Murray Machinery Company currently has branch offices in Concord, New Hampshire; Montpelier, Vermont; and Portland, Maine. As in-

dedicated, his company is one of the largest in his field in these three mentioned states, receiving contracts for machinery utilized in clearing the highways from snow, road construction and allied lines of activity, state, municipal, and individual. The supply of parts and maintenance of the machines sold makes up an important part of the distribution trade of the Murray Machinery Company. Mr. Murray is likewise the organizer of Maritime Machinery Service, Ltd., in St. John, New Brunswick, of which he is president.

When the United States became involved in World War II, Mr. Murray proffered his services. In 1942 he entered the Civil Engineers Corps, Bureau of Yards and Docks, United States Navy. Assigned chiefly to the Pacific Theater of Operations before returning to this country, he was at Guadalcanal, Tulagi, Biniki, and the Russell Islands. In the latter-named location he was severely injured.

Fraternally he is a Thirty-second degree Mason, affiliated with the several York and Scottish rite bodies and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Bangor. He likewise belongs to the Royal Order of Jesters, is an honorary member of the Dog Catchers of America, Auburn Branch, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Augusta Country Club. His business affiliations include membership in the Equipment Distributors Association, and he figures popularly in the Ancient Order of the Deep. He is a sustaining member of the Young Men's Christian Association, and is interested in humanitarian and charitable works.

James A. Murray is the father of three children: James Byard, Dennis Anderson, and Patricia Lynn.

**LeBLANC, Judge Armand O.**

Attorney at law and judge of the municipal court, Armand O. LeBlanc has been identified with the Westbrook bar since receiving his law degree in 1930. As a lawyer of the modern school, he has always been alert to the advances made in his profession. As a jurist he is wise and sympathetic, one who tempers justice with mercy. He takes an active interest in civic problems and community welfare, and gives generously of his time and means to worthy causes. He merits and enjoys the confidence and esteem of the people with whom he has lived and labored.

Judge LeBlanc was born at Fitchburg, Massachusetts, on December 15, 1904, son of Charles I. and Honoria M. (Demers) LeBlanc. The family removed to New Bedford, Massachusetts, when the son was about five years old, the father eventually retiring from business as a shoe merchant. After preparing for college in the New Bedford High School, Armand O. LeBlanc matriculated at Boston University, then took up the study of law at Suffolk Law School, Boston. He was graduated a Bachelor of Laws in 1930.

Interested in public affairs since young manhood, Judge LeBlanc has served the city in several official capacities. He was appointed recorder in 1937; was named municipal court judge in July, 1941, and since has been eminently successful in his handling of the varied matters and persons coming before him. In August, 1948, he was elected president of the Municipal Court Judges Association of the State of Maine. In line with his profession, he is a member of the American Bar Association, the Bar Association of the State of Maine, and the Cumberland County Bar Association. Influential in

political circles, Judge LeBlanc was secretary of the Republican City Committee from 1931 to 1936. He worships in the Catholic faith, a member of St. Hyacinthe's Parish, and a liberal supporter of charitable and religious works. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. For a hobby he is interested in the development of amateur moving pictures.

At Westbrook, Maine, on October 12, 1931, Armand O. LeBlanc married Antoinette Vigeant, of New Bedford.

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**LaFLEUR, Alexander A.**

Many honors have been won in civilian and military activities by Alexander A. LaFleur of Portland. One of Maine's most distinguished citizens and one of New England's outstanding members of the bar, he is a holder of Freemasonry's highest degree, the Thirty-third, and is an important personage in that order. Also, a veteran of World Wars I and II, he holds a variety of military decorations and is, in addition, an authority on military affairs. He has in many capacities, including service as Commander of the Maine State Department of the American Legion and as legislator heading State House of Representatives committees, forwarded the state's and nation's military preparedness programs. A former Assistant Attorney General of the state, he was a candidate for the office of Attorney General in 1949.

Born at Marlboro, Maine, on May 29, 1898. Mr. LaFleur is the eighth child of a Baptist minister. After attending the public schools at Waterville, he went to Colby College there, graduating in 1920, and then prepared for his profession at the George Washington University School of Law in Washington, D. C.,



where he was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1923. Two years later he opened an office in Portland, and he has since specialized in municipal, utilities, corporation and governmental law.

In 1935 Mr. LaFleur served as secretary of the Legislative Committee on Judiciary and four years later was elected to the first of two terms as a State Representative from the Portland district. As a legislator, Mr. LaFleur served as House chairman of the military affairs committee and as a member of the committees on public utilities, inland fish and game and legal affairs. He sponsored and drafted legislation creating the Maine State Guard and the Maine Civil Defense Act. He also sponsored legislation for bond issues for armories and airports, for changes in the Adjutant General's Department and Military Defense Commission. In World War I, Mr. LaFleur served in the Infantry, participated in several major engagements and was discharged as a first sergeant. He was assistant attorney general in 1941 and 1942, but relinquished the office under leave of absence to re-enter the United States Army in World War II. He was commissioned a captain in the Judge-Advocate General's Department and after six months' service was assigned to the Tenth Armored Division. In 1942 he was promoted to major and served in England, France, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia. In 1943 Mr. LaFleur was made a lieutenant colonel and attached to the Third United States Army under General Patton, under whom he later participated in the historic Battle of the Bulge following the Normandy invasion of "D-Day." He was decorated and cited on many occasions and prior

to his separation from the service in 1946 was promoted to a full colonelcy. Since then he has been back in practice in Portland, adding further laurels to those already won. With considerable backing, he became candidate for Attorney General.

Mr. LaFleur is a member and has held office in many organizations, professional, civic, military, recreational and social. He is former state commander of the American Legion as well as commander of his Portland post. In Masonry, he has held such offices as high priest of Mount Vernon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Portland; commander, Portland Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar, and potent master (thrice) of Yates Lodge of Perfection of Portland. In the fall of 1941 he was elevated to Freemasonry's highest degree, the Thirty-third, at the triennial convocation in Boston of the Thirty-third Degree, Ancient and Accepted Order of the Scottish Rite, Northern Jurisdiction. Honored similarly at the same time were such other noteworthy Maine citizens as Ernest L. Goodspeed, Augusta attorney; Elmer L. McFarland, Bangor banker, and Daniel L. Stetson, Auburn business man. Mr. LaFleur's office address is 443 Congress Street, Portland.

He married Marjorie F. French of North Anson and they are the parents of two daughters. The family home is in Portland.

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#### **DOW, Neal**

Extensively engaged in the real estate and insurance business in Portland, Neal Dow is owner of the Neal Dow Agency, formerly the F. H. & C. C. Plummer Agency, a general insurance business and one of the oldest of its kind in the city.



Mr. Dow was born May 11, 1907, in Portland, son of William Hammond and Kate Turner (Wade) Dow. His family is an old one in New England. His great-grandfather, General Neal Dow, was at one time speaker of the House of Representatives of the Maine State Legislature, as well as a Presidential nominee on the Prohibitionist party ticket. He was a Civil War veteran from this state, having organized the Thirteenth Maine Regiment. He was widely referred to as the founder of the Maine Temperance Law, and was formerly mayor of Portland. The grandfather, Colonel Fred N. Dow, was at one time owner and publisher of the "Evening Express" and "Sunday Telegram." He married Julia Dana Hammond.

Their son, William H. Dow, Neal Dow's father, early became interested in his father's publishing enterprises and became owner and general manager of the publishing company. Like his father before him, he served in the State Legislature. He continued his newspaper activity until eventually the company was sold to the Guy Gannett Publishing Company. His contribution to his native city of Portland continued substantially until his death January 31, 1948. He married Kate Turner Wade, born in 1871, in Portland, daughter of Leander and Mary (Turner) Wade.

Their son, Neal Dow, attended the Choate School in Wallingford, Connecticut, where he was graduated in the class of 1927, then entered the School of Business Administration of Boston University, studying there until 1930. He became trustee and manager of the Estate of Fred N. Dow, operating an extensive real estate interest at 12 Monument Square, Portland. Subsequently he took

over the F. H. and C. C. Plummer Agency, of which he is still the owner. The agency operating since 1895, is one of the oldest of its kind in Portland, dealing extensively in general insurance in this region of Maine.

In addition, Mr. Dow is vice president and a director of the Casco Homestead Savings and Loan Association of Portland, as well as a director of the Maine Bonding and Casualty Company and the Biddeford-Saco Railroad Company. Formerly Mr. Dow was a member of the board of governors of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. He is still a member of the board of directors of the Home for the Aged Men and takes a considerable interest in its work. During World War II he served on active duty after August 26, 1941, having been already a member of the Officers Reserve Corps of the Army. He was stationed in the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia, and Camp Shelby, Mississippi, and afterward was in the Pacific theater until his honorable discharge as a lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve Corps on January 3, 1946. Mr. Dow is a member of the Portland Country Club, and attends the State Street Congregational Church.

On December 6, 1930, in Newton Center, Massachusetts, Neal Dow married Lois Kendall of that place, daughter of Charles Faulkner and Rebecca (Edmands) Kendall. She was graduated from Bradford Academy, now known as Bradford Junior College, and from the Katharine Gibbs School in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Dow became the parents of the following children: 1. Dana, born April 19, 1932, in Portland, now a student at the Choate School, Wallingford, Connecticut. 2. Kendall, born November 14,

1933, in Portland, became a student at Tabor Academy, Marion, Massachusetts. J. Neal, Jr., born February 10, 1946, in Boston.

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**HAZZARD, Robert Parks, Jr.**

Robert Parks Hazzard, Jr., is president, and assistant treasurer, of the R. P. Hazzard Co., of Augusta, a shoe manufacturing concern with a very large volume of production and a national market. Mr. Hazzard has been associated with the company since 1930, with the exception of the years of World War II, when he was in active service with the United States Navy. He takes a vital interest in civic and organizational affairs in the capital city.

Born in Gardiner, October 7, 1908, Mr. Hazzard is a son of Robert Parks and Edna G. Hazzard. The shoe manufacturing enterprise with which the name is identified was begun by his father, who died August 17, 1948. The elder man was born in Jamestown, New York, April 15, 1869, son of Robert Thomas and Mary E. (Parks) Hazzard. On completing high school, he became associated with his father's shoe manufacturing business, Parks and Hazzard, in Jamestown. In 1896 he moved his enterprise to Brockton, Massachusetts, where he became affiliated with the Field-Thurber Co., which later became the Field-Hazzard Co. In 1902 he sold his interest in the Brockton concern and came to Gardiner as superintendent of the Commonwealth Shoe and Leather Company factories in Gardiner and Skowhegan. In 1906 he organized the Snow-Hazzard Co., and three years later the firm became the R. P. Hazzard Co., which in 1915 acquired a chain of retail shoe stores in New York. In the course of its development, it absorbed

several smaller businesses, notably Leonard, Stevens and Bearce, and the Emerson Shoe Company of Rockland. In metropolitan New York, it operated under the name of Beck-Hazzard, and at one time owned three hundred retail outlets in that area. Robert Parks Hazzard, Sr., was a director of the National Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Co., of which he was also a former vice president, and was a member of the National Industrial Conference Board and a life member of the National Advisory Council. He was a Thirty-second degree Mason, a member of Rotary International, and a communicant of Christ Episcopal Church. He married, on January 10, 1899, Edna G. Littlefield of Brockton, Massachusetts.

The son, subject of this sketch, received his secondary education in the Gardiner High School, graduating in 1925. He next attended Culver Military Academy for one year, thereafter entering Williams College, from which he was graduated in 1930. In that year, Robert Parks Hazzard, Jr., became associated with the R. P. Hazzard Co. Beginning his career with the concern in a subordinate capacity, he advanced rapidly to positions of increasing responsibility until, in 1942, his career was interrupted by his entrance upon active duty in the United States Navy. As an officer, he spent much of his more than three years' service in the Pacific. He wears the American Theater, Asiatic-Pacific Theater, and Philippine Liberation ribbons. He is now a member of the United States Naval Reserve, having been released to inactive duty on December 6, 1945, with the rank of lieutenant commander.

Mr. Hazzard then resumed his association with the R. P. Hazzard Co., in







executive capacity, and at the present time holds the dual offices of president and assistant treasurer.

The R. P. Hazzard Co. has long been one of the largest manufacturers of shoes in the United States, its product is everywhere recognized for quality, and reaches consumers throughout the country. It is an important factor in the economic life of Augusta.

Mr. Hazzard is a Republican in his politics. He is fraternally affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and with the various bodies of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Augusta, having attained the Thirty-second degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and being a member of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He participates wholeheartedly in veterans' activities, being a member of both the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Mr. Hazzard is also a member of the Aviation Commandery of the Naval Order of the United States. No less active in local and state affairs, he is a member of the Augusta Chamber of Commerce, the Executive Club, and the Augusta Country Club. He is a director of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce, and the Pine Tree Society for Crippled Children. He also has a seat on the Gardiner Board of Trade, Gardiner, Maine. Mr. Hazzard is a member of the Episcopal Church.

In Augusta, December 30, 1930, Robert Parks Hazzard, Jr., married Margaret Ellen Wyman, daughter of Walter S. and Alice B. Wyman of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Hazzard, who make their home in Gardiner, have become the parents of three children: 1. Robert Parks, 3rd, born February 15, 1932. 2. Charles Donald, born June 10, 1935. 3. Thomas Wyman, born May 17, 1937.

#### **MORSE, Dr. Edwin E.**

Chief of obstetrics at the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine at Portland and practicing osteopathic obstetrician, Dr. Edwin E. Morse was born May 29, 1912 in North Weymouth, Massachusetts. He is the son of Edwin M. and Bertha B. (Bartlett) Morse. Edwin M. Morse, who is now deceased, was in the leather business in Malden and Boston.

Graduating from the Malden High School in the class of 1930, Dr. Morse entered the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy, and was graduated from this institution in 1934 with the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy. The following year he served as intern at the Osteopathic Hospital at Philadelphia. From 1935 to 1946 Dr. Morse engaged in the general practice of osteopathy at Belfast, where he also established the Morse private hospital. Since 1946 he has practiced as an osteopathic obstetrician at Portland, serving as chief of obstetrics on the staff of the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine.

Dr. Morse is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and has been certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He belongs to Phi Sigma Gamma college fraternity. Dr. Morse is a member of the Woodfords Congregational Church of Portland, and belongs to the Reciprocity Club. His hobby is sailing.

On August 31, 1941 at Belfast Dr. Morse was married to Marion Randall of Belfast, the daughter of William and Marion Randall. Dr. and Mrs. Morse are the parents of two children: 1. Lois Ann Morse, born in Belfast April 15, 1943. 2. Edwin E. Morse, Jr., born March 17, 1947 in Portland.

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#### **McCARTHY, Frederick W.**

For more than three decades Frederick

W. McCarthy of Portland has carried on a general insurance business and in those years has become a leading figure in the business life of Southwestern Maine. He is president and treasurer of Frederick W. McCarthy, Inc., with offices in the Strand Theater Building, 565 Congress Street, Portland, whose motto is: "Insurance: Any Kind, Any Where, Any Amount!"

Born at Burlington, Vermont, on October 12, 1884, Mr. McCarthy is the son of the late James D. and Anna B. (Minahan) McCarthy. Both his parents were also natives of Burlington, where the father was in the hotel business. James McCarthy died when he was seventy-seven, his wife when she was eighty. Frederick W. McCarthy was educated in Burlington's public schools. Following his graduation from Edmund's High School, he went to Burlington Business College.

For a few years before coming to Maine, Mr. McCarthy was in the men's clothing and haberdashery business at Burlington. When he moved to Portland in January, 1905, he entered the employ of the Haskell and Jones Company, clothiers. In June, 1917, he established Frederick W. McCarthy, Inc., and since that time has done a general insurance business. He is also a director of the Casco Bank and Trust Company of Portland. Active in civic and organizational affairs, he is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Maine Publicity Bureau and the Portland Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He joined the Elks in 1916, and is also a member of the Portland Club. He is a communicant of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church of Portland.

Mr. McCarthy has been twice married. His first wife was Mollie S. Jordan of

South Portland, the daughter of William B. and Anne. (Huston) Jordan. They were married on September 2, 1907. Mollie McCarthy died on February 17, 1917. On November 23, 1946, Mr. McCarthy married Elva Crocker of Portland.

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#### JORDAN, Harold C.

A native and lifelong resident of Portland, Harold C. Jordan has long been known to his fellow citizens as a public accountant, and a member of the firm of Jordan and Jordan, with offices at 465 Congress Street.

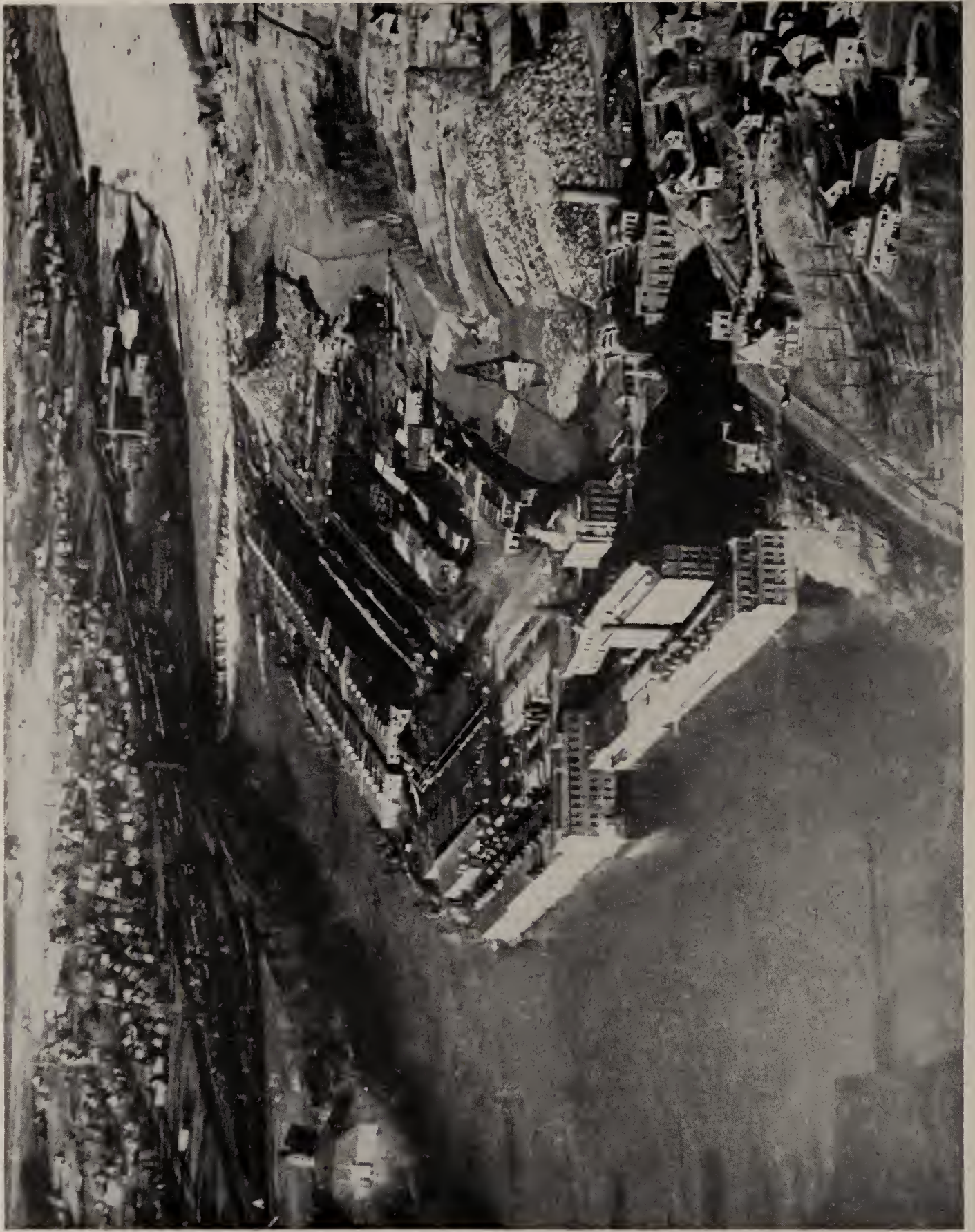
He was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, December 2, 1886, son of Alvin F. and Addie E. (Moses) Jordan, his father being a native of Cape Elizabeth, Maine, and was engaged throughout most of his life in the wholesale fruit and produce business in Portland. His wife, the former Addie E. Moses was a native of Calais, Maine, whose family later moved to Old Orchard.

A graduate of the Deering High School in Portland, Harold C. Jordan completed his education at Gray's Business College, also in that city. In entering a career in public accountancy, Mr. Jordan became associated with his brother, Chester A. Jordan, and together they succeeded to the practice of John O. Rice, a well-known name among the pioneers in public accounting, not only in Maine but throughout the United States. They have upheld the tradition associated with this practice, and are recognized as leaders in their field.

Harold C. Jordan is a member of the American Institute of Accountants, and is locally associated with the Portland Rotary Club, Portland Yacht Club and the Purpoodock Club. He is a member and secretary of the Society of Colonial Wars of the State of Maine, attends the







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State Street Congregational Church, and enjoys golf, boating and gardening as recreations.

Mr. Jordan is a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 216 of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in Portland. He is also a member of all Scottish Rite bodies up to and including the Thirty-second degree.

At Portland, October 17, 1916, Harold C. Jordan married Frances G. Weaver of Fort Smith, Arkansas, daughter of James E. and Sally Belle (Griffing) Weaver, lifelong residents of that state. Mr. and Mrs. Jordan are the parents of two children: 1. Katherine G., born in Portland, May 7, 1920, a graduate of Deering High School and Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1943. She married Daniel M. Libby, of Portland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Libby, the ceremony taking place on May 3, 1948. Mr. Libby served during World War II with the rank of lieutenant commander in the United States Naval Air Forces, and was stationed at Pearl Harbor at the time the Japanese made their infamous surprise attack on that port, launching the United States into World War II. Mr. and Mrs. Libby are the parents of a daughter, Ellen. 2. Robert A., born in Portland, February 14, 1926. He attended Deering High School, and is a graduate of Phillips Andover Academy, Andover Massachusetts. He served during World War II in the United States Field Artillery, and was stationed in the Pacific theater. He is now attending Yale University. On September 3, 1947, Robert A. Jordan married Hilda Cross, daughter of Lieutenant Commander and Mrs. John M. Cross of South Portland; and Mr. and Mrs. Jordan are the parents of an infant son, Stephen.

#### **MADDEN, James L.**

The firm of Hollingsworth and Whitney, whose large plant in Winslow plays a vital part in that town's business life, is an integrated company engaged in the manufacture of pulp and paper. Its headquarters is at Boston, Massachusetts, and its largest mill is that at Winslow. The firm was established at Boston on April 5, 1862, Ellis A. Hollingsworth and Leonard Whitney, Jr., being the founding partners whose names the company has retained. Mr. Whitney had been the operator of a paper mill and bag factory at Watertown, while Mr. Hollingsworth's previous experience had been connected with a paper mill located at South Braintree, Massachusetts. The latter partner's father, Mark Hollingsworth, had also been engaged in the paper manufacturing business, having owned a mill on the Neponset River below Mattapan as early as 1801. Ellis Hollingsworth had a brother, Lyman, whose name is also associated with paper manufacture, for he discovered a method for the production of a strong paper by the utilization of waste rope in the manufacturing process. Faced with a shortage of stock after the panic of 1837, this process was developed out of necessity. A fine quality of manila paper resulted, and for this industrial technique, John M. and Lyman Hollingsworth were granted a patent in 1843. In 1874, Charles A. Dean, who was later to become vice president and general manager, associated himself with the company in the capacity of sales manager. It was two years later that the company purchased a mill at Gardiner, Maine, which was to be the site of continuous operation until 1939.

Both Ellis A. Hollingsworth and Leonard Whitney, Jr., died in 1882, and on February 24, of that year, the company was incorporated as Hollingsworth &



Whitney Company. Sumner Hollingsworth was its first president, and Charles A. Dean was vice president and general manager. The company entered upon a period of rapid growth, during which the tonnage of paper produced increased from somewhat over twenty-seven hundred tons, in 1882-1883, to fifty-four thousand tons in 1911, and during the same period the capital stock increased from half a million dollars to five millions.

Construction had begun on the company's mills at Winslow in 1891. The pulp and paper mills there were increased under Mr. Dean's direction, and under that of his successors, W. E. Pratt and M. Lester Madden. During the administration of the latter president, father of James L. Madden, paper production at Winslow reached three hundred tons per day on the mills' six paper machines, and the daily production of sulphite was brought to two hundred tons. The bleach plant today has a capacity of one hundred thirty-five tons per day.

Company plants now include a ground-wood mill at Madison, Maine, which has a capacity of one hundred tons per day; and Chickasaw Mills at Mobile, Alabama, which include a pulp mill, pulp-drying machine, bleach plant, Fourdrinier paper machine, and cylinder paper machine. The Alabama plant's present capacity of two hundred and forty tons of sulphate pulp, bleached and unbleached, is now being expanded by fifty per cent. At the present time, Hollingsworth & Whitney Company produces all the pulp needed in the operation of its mills, as a consequence of a program of expansion.

The company's acreage in pulpwood, totaling one million one hundred thousand acres, is partly located in Maine and partly in Canada. The Maine acreage lies entirely within the watershed of the

Kennebec River, which transports the wood to the mills and turns the wheels which provide power for the machinery. Adequate forest reserves, with intelligent timberland management, insure a continuing future supply of woodland for these Maine mills.

President of Hollingsworth and Whitney Company is James L. Madden, whose offices are at the company's headquarters in Boston. Mr. Madden is prominently identified with activities in both states. The officers of the company, in addition to Mr. Madden, are his father, Mr. M. L. Madden, chairman of the board; Robert Nivison, vice president; L. G. Glazier, vice president; and H. C. Thayer, treasurer.

James L. Madden is a native of Boston, where he was born December 13, 1909. M. Lester Madden preceded his son in the presidency of Hollingsworth & Whitney, serving from 1931 to 1945; and on his retirement from that office in the latter year, assumed the office of chairman of the board, as he remains to the present time. Mr. Madden is a graduate of Harvard College, class of 1931, and of the Harvard School of Business Administration in 1934.

He joined the firm of Hollingsworth & Whitney in July, 1934, and has been employed in various capacities at the Waterville and Mobile, Alabama, mills, which gave him valuable background in the company's business. He rose through various positions to become a director of Hollingsworth & Whitney Company and of Hollingsworth & Whitney Limited of Canada in 1941, vice president in 1942, and president of both companies in 1945.

During World War II, Mr. Madden rendered valuable service to his country as deputy director of the Pulp and Paper Division of the War Production Board,

in charge of pulpwood production in the United States, and pulpwood imports from Canada. He is president of the Kennebec Water Power Company, and a director of the Boston and Maine Railroad, the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company, the New England Forestry Foundation, the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, the Mutual Boiler Insurance Company, and the Boston Museum of Science. He is a member of the board of overseers of the Boys' Club of Boston.

Mr. Madden takes a vital interest in outdoor sports. He is a sailing enthusiast, and in the winter enjoys both skiing and skating. His prowess at the latter sport has won him national recognition. He was a member of the Olympic teams in figure skating in 1932 and 1936, was runner-up in the singles of the national and North American contests on several occasions, and with his sister was pair skating champion of the United States in 1934.

At Beverly Farms, Massachusetts, on October 12, 1946, James L. Madden married Pauline McKean. They have two children: James L., Jr., and Anne Elizabeth.

#### KEITH, Albion

In the days before Abraham Lincoln was a national figure, and the prospect of Civil War was but a small cloud on the horizon, Jonathan Ambrose Merrill opened a small jewelry shop in Portland. Within a few years he was joined in partnership by Albion Keith, Sr. Both of these men have long since passed away, and the business taken over by Mr. Keith's two sons, Willard F. and Albion Keith, Jr. Since the death of the older son, in 1945, Albion Keith has been the owner of the firm that in 1951 celebrates a full century in business.

Albion Keith was born in Portland, on June 20, 1887, son of Albion and Lucy Helen (Davis) Keith. After being graduated from the Hebron Academy, in 1908, he joined his brother, Willard F. Keith, in the operation of the J. A. Merrill and Company, Inc., jewelers. The founder, who had retired, died in 1909; Albion Keith, Sr., had died in 1906, and his two sons became president and treasurer of the corporation. It is worthy of more than passing note that but two generations have been actively associated with this enterprise for about ninety-five years, a most unusual record.

The history of the store, launched in a most unpropitious time in American affairs, is one of progress in good times and bad, and eventual high standing in Portland for the modern services it renders the public. Quoting from an interesting brochure:

It survived the ills of infancy, then four blighting war years, followed shortly, in 1866, by a disastrous fire that almost swept the city of Portland out of existence.

Then a series of financial panics, thousands of superstitious persons merely marking time until they should be engulfed in the supreme disaster, the 'End of the World,' positively staged by 'Mother Shipton' for the year 1881 and feverishly awaited by believers and sceptics alike. In those last days of '81 panic-stricken people everywhere sold or gave away priceless jewelry, fearing its weight would carry them down rather than up on Ascension Day.

Thus passed the eventful early years of the J. A. Merrill Company. And now, three-quarters of a century later, its hourglass still marks the passing show, delighted with a place in the sun, but equally tranquil when it rains.

A visit to the store, now located at No. 503 Congress Street, provides a variety of 'keys' to its long life and steady growth.

Albion Keith, the younger, became president of the company about 1920; his brother Willard F. Keith was treas-



urer from 1906 to his passing in April, 1945. At that time Albion Keith assumed ownership of the corporation and has since been president and treasurer of the enterprise. He plays important parts in the life and affairs of Portland and is a popular figure in the Chamber of Commerce and other business and civic organizations. Since 1919 he has been a member of the Portland Kiwanis Club. He belongs to the Portland Club, and the Portland Country Club, golf being his favorite recreation, although he also finds time for gardening. A Thirty-second degree Mason, he is affiliated with Landmark Lodge No 17, Free and Accepted Masons; Greenleaf Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Portland Commandery, Knights Templar; Maine Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and Kora Temple, at Lewiston, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and secretary of Old Falmouth Chapter. He is a communicant of the First Parish Church, Unitarian, Portland, and is liberal in his contributions to religious and humanitarian projects. Mr. Keith served in the armed forces of the United States in World War I.

On June 30, 1926, at Winchester, Albion Keith married Dorothy Willis Kerrison, daughter of John Charles and Florence (Willis) Kerrison.

#### **GRANT, Raymond B.**

Operating the establishment of Grant Knowles, Inc., in Portland, Raymond B. Grant serves as president of this enterprise, which conducts a large business in dry goods and women's apparel and accessories.

Mr. Grant was born April 27, 1891, at Cherryfield, Maine, son of Curtis D. and

Effie M. (Guptill) Grant. He attended local schools in Cherryfield, was graduated from Cherryfield Academy in 1908, and then attended Shaw's Business College, in Bangor, where he completed his work in 1909. From that year until 1915 he was bookkeeper for the Adams Dry Goods Company, in Bangor. Then he became travel representative in Maine for the John R. Aimsley Company, a Boston wholesale dry goods house. Remaining there until 1918, Mr. Grant then served in the army during World War I, becoming a private and then a sergeant in the 54th Artillery Regiment of the Army. After returning from overseas duty in France, he was associated from 1920 to 1923 with the Walker-Stetson Company of Boston, a wholesale dry goods house which he represented in Connecticut.

In 1923 he became manager of the Lewiston store of Thomas Smiley. Mr. Grant had been only six months in that position when Mr. Smiley called him to the Portland store as its manager. At Mr. Smiley's death in July, 1940, Mr. Grant purchased the store from the estate, conducting it until 1945 under the name of the Thomas Smiley Company. In that year he expanded the business by taking in a partner, A. Edward Knowles, and changing the name to its present form of Grant Knowles, Inc. In the same year, Mr. Grant bought the Campbell Dry Goods Company, of Farmington and became its president and treasurer. The Farmington organization is now known as the Grant-Jones Company, of which Mr. Grant himself is president and Howard E. Jones is treasurer. In 1947 Mr. Grant purchased Mr. Knowles' interest in the business, continuing to operate the Portland store independently since that time, although retaining the name of



Grant Knowles, Inc. The Portland store has four floors, employs one hundred and thirty-five people, and handles a complete dry goods line.

In addition to his work in the dry goods business, Mr. Grant is vice president and director of the Cumberland Savings and Loan Association of Portland and a trustee of Westbrook Junior College. He is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Portland Rotary Club, the Portland Club, the Woodfords Club, the Executives Club, the Portland Shrine Club, Ralph Caldwell Post of the American Legion, and Woodfords Congregationalist Church. In the Free and Accepted Masons he is affiliated with Narraguagus Lodge No. 88; Portland Commandery of Knights Templar; and all Scottish Rite bodies in Portland up to and including the Thirty-second degree. He is past commander-in-chief of the Maine Consistory, Scottish Rite. He is also connected with Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in Lewiston and in 1939 received the Thirty-third degree in Boston, Massachusetts.

Raymond B. Grant married, first, in 1927, Nellie Patchell, who died in 1929. Their son, Thomas G., born in 1928, also died in 1929. Raymond B. Grant married, second, in February, 1943, Iona M. Leach, of Portland.

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#### **COLE, Melville C.**

The place held by Melville C. Cole has long been assured in Portland business circles by reason of his executive qualities as the president and general manager of the Southworth Machine Company, precision machinists and machinery manufacturers. He is equally well known for his hearty co-operation with com-

munity projects and affiliations with local organizations.

The story of Mr. Cole's rise to his current important position is the not unusual one of a youth who entered the employ of a firm with which he remained. While serving in every department of the precision machine industry, Mr. Cole earned steady promotions. Melville C. Cole was born in the Town of Monmouth, Maine, on January 2, 1891, son of Royal H. and Laurette (Blake) Cole. After attending rural schools of his birthplace, he completed his formal education in the high school of Hallowell, Maine. He prepared for a career in Shaw's Business College, Augusta, this state, and was still very young when he entered the Southworth Machine Company, in a minor capacity. This was in 1909, and from then to his promotion to cost clerk in charge of the office of the corporation in 1916; he made a practice of doing more than his job required, and at night studied correspondence courses, acquiring a background upon which his future was built.

In 1918 Mr. Cole was made assistant treasurer. In 1921 he added to this the position of sales manager, and since 1935 he has been general manager. In 1939 he was elected president and combines these responsibilities with those of general manager and a member of the board of directors. To his leadership has been credited much of the expansion of the company's production, especially during the World War II period, and upon his capable shoulders has rested the responsibilities of the current postwar years. Other officials of the concern are Florence Craig, treasurer; and Andrew Stuart, comptroller. Ray H. Houghton (q.v.), is vice president in charge of the tractor and road machinery division, which is an important department of the

firm. The Southworth Machine Company, of Portland, specializes in the manufacture of graphic art machines and devices, doing a great deal of contract work. During World War II, the corporation made and furnished thousands of airplane parts for various makers of planes and other war industries.

Melville C. Cole is a director of the York Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of West Buxton, and is financially interested in other enterprises. Aside from business he is interested in various activities, notably business and social organizations and the Masonic Order. He is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Lions Club, the Woodfords and the Cumberland clubs; the Executives Club, and the Young Men's Christian Association, of Portland. A Thirty-second degree Mason, Mr. Cole is a member and past master of Corner Stone Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Portland Commandery, Knights Templar; both York and Ancient Accepted Scottish Rites, and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He attends Trinity Church. Hunting and fishing are favorite recreations, some of which he enjoys at his summer home on Sebago Lake.

On February 8, 1921, at Portland, Melville C. Cole married Bernice Shanahan, daughter of Lawrence and Frances (Scott) Shanahan. Mr. and Mrs. Cole are the parents of two sons, both born at Portland: 1. Norman Andrew, born August 23, 1923, a graduate of Deering High School, and the University of Maine, class of February, 1949. A World War II veteran, United States Army Air Corps, with the rank of corporal, he served in Italy for three and one-half years. On June 24, 1946, he married Betty Lindsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

David Lindsey, of Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, and they have one son: Norman Andrew, Jr. 2. Ronald B., born January 14, 1927; a graduate of Deering High School, attending the University of Maine, class of 1950.

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#### **NUTTER, Frank Everett**

Engaged throughout his career in the textile industry, for which his educational preparation had qualified him, Frank Everett Nutter is today vice president and director of the textile manufacturing concern of Goodall-Sanford, Inc., of Sanford, and affiliated concerns, Goodall Fabrics, Inc., and the Palm Beach Company. Mr. Nutter has played an active and constructive part in civic affairs as well as in fraternal organizations. He has proven himself an able, forceful, and clear-thinking executive, a progressive influence in his state.

At Sanford, where his present industrial enterprises are centered, F. Everett Nutter was born on August 10, 1894. He is a son of John and Ann (Webster) Nutter, and his father too found his lifetime occupation in the textile industry. To this field, F. Everett Nutter was early attracted, and he was given guidance to the best educational facilities to prepare him for his life work. After graduation from Sanford High School in the class of 1912, Mr. Nutter enrolled at the Philadelphia Textile Institute in Pennsylvania, from which he graduated with the class of 1916. He thereafter took a special textile course at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

On returning to his native town of Sanford, Mr. Nutter immediately identified himself with the firm of Goodall-Sanford, Inc., and with his exceptional qualifications advanced rapidly to positions of responsibility. He has since 1932 been





*F. Everett Hunter*









*Frank J. Ford*



vice president and director, as well as clerk, of the three affiliated firms. Mr. Nutter stands high in the counsels of the textile industry, and is a member of the board of governors of the Philadelphia Textile Institute.

It has been within the scope of Mr. Nutter's abilities and interest to render valuable service to his community in various capacities. He is chairman of the Sanford Park Commission, treasurer of the Sanford Library Association, and a trustee of the Goodall Memorial Hospital. Of Unitarian faith, he serves the Sanford church of that denomination as treasurer.

Mr. Nutter is fraternally affiliated with the lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, is past trustee of the lodge of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and past sachem in the Improved Order of Red Men. He is past president of the Kiwanis Club of Sanford, and is a member of the Sons of St. George and of Phi Psi fraternity. Organizations in which Mr. Nutter is active are the Cumberland Club of Portland, the Portland Club, and the Goodall Town and Country Club of Sanford, of which he is past president. He is also a member of the Algonquin Club of Boston, Massachusetts.

At Sanford, April 20, 1919, Frank Everett Nutter married Marion C. Simpson, daughter of Robert and Jane (Crozier) Simpson. Mr. and Mrs. Nutter have three children: 1. Robert W., born February 14, 1920. 2. William E., born April 4, 1922. 3. Ann, who was born December 29, 1932. The family's home is at 3 Storer Street, Sanford.

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#### **WARD, Elmer L.**

As president of the firm of Goodall-Sanford, Inc., of Sanford, Elmer L. Ward is a leader in one of the state's important industries and a prominent figure in the

affairs of York County. Mr. Ward has held his present office since 1944, and has since that year been the president also of Goodall Fabrics, Inc., and of the Palm Beach Company.

Born February 25, 1898, in Boston, Massachusetts, Elmer L. Ward is a son of Lawrence Stephen and Mary (O'Connell) Ward. He is a graduate of the Boston English High School, one of the oldest high schools in the country, class of 1916.

From 1921 until 1924, Mr. Ward was a member of the firm of Forte-Moran of Boston. In the latter year he associated himself with the firm of Campbell-Ward, also of Boston. At the time of its organization in 1931, Mr. Ward became general manager of the Goodall Company of Sanford, so remaining until 1935 when he became its president. In 1944 Sanford Mills and the Goodall Worsted Company merged to form the present firm of Goodall-Sanford, Inc., and of this concern Mr. Ward has been the president since the time of the merger. He is also president of the subsidiaries, Goodall Fabrics, Inc., and the Palm Beach Company (formerly Goodall Company) which offices he has held concurrently.

Mr. Ward's status in the industrial world has been honored by his being made a member of the Knights of the Order of Malta. He is a member of the Algonquin Club of Boston, the Union League, the New York Athletic Club of New York City, the Cumberland Club of Portland, and the Goodall Town and Country Club of Sanford. He is a golf enthusiast, and a proficient player of the game, having won the New England amateur golf championship in 1930. Mr. Ward is a Republican in his political views, and a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

On August 14, 1924, Elmer L. Ward married Alice G. Brown, and they have become the parents of four children: 1. Elmer L. 2. Lawrence W. 3. William A. 4. Robert B. The family resides at 224 Main Street in Sanford, and Mr. Ward's office address, that of Goodall-Sanford, Inc., is 1 High Street.

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#### **TINKER, Matson**

Matson Tinker chose early in life the business at which he could make a career, and down through the years from youth has been associated with a single firm, Carter Brothers Company, pioneer jewelers of Portland. He has been an official of this concern for more than three decades, and in more recent years has been exceptionally active in its direction. He has been identified with community affairs over a long period, and is considered an outstanding citizen, willing and ready to do his full share in promoting the best interests of the city and its people.

Matson Tinker is not, as many suppose, a native of New England, for he was born at New Berne, North Carolina, on September 23, 1876, son of George E. and Caroline (Carter) Tinker, his mother being a sister of Abel and John W. D. Carter, of whom further. His father was born in Lyme, Connecticut, and was a veteran of the Civil War. He was stationed in North Carolina as a Collector of Internal Revenue at the time of his son's birth. The mother was born at Concord, New Hampshire, and it was in his mother's birth city that he acquired his education. After being graduated from the Concord High School, Matson Tinker entered the employ of Carter Brothers, in Portland, on August 16, 1898. The Carter Brothers Company was founded in 1872 to engage in the retail jeweler's business in the city, by Abel and John

W. D. Carter, both of whom are deceased. The long established firm is not only a pioneer in its line of commerce, but is one highly esteemed, with loyal customers of several generations. Willis E. Carter, son of Abel Carter, is the inactive president of Carter Brothers Company.

Matson Tinker learned the jewelry business in its changing phases from the 1890s to present day demands. About thirty years ago he was named an official of Carter Brothers Company, and since 1936 has served as its very able secretary and treasurer. He is widely known in the Portland area by citizens old and new, both by reason of his connection with the jewelry trade and as the friend of a host of people. In local affairs he is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and president of its retail board, member of the Lions Club and of the Portland Country Club. He is a Republican in allegiance, without ambitions for political office. He lends aid and support to worth-while civic and humanitarian movements. He is a member of the Wiliston Congregational Church.

At Portland, on February 17, 1915, Matson Tinker married Bernice E. Ettinger, and they are the parents of one son: John, born February 24, 1916. He is a graduate of Portland High School. During World War II, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, and since his honorable discharge from the service, has been connected with the automotive field in Portland. He married Phyllis Mason, a native of Brockton, Massachusetts, and they have one son: John Howard, born June 24, 1945.

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#### **STICKNEY, Charles E.**

The oldest manufacturing concern in its field in the State of Maine is the Deer-



ing Ice Cream Company of Portland. The treasurer of this concern is Charles E. Stickney, prominent citizen of the state and member of a family which has been in the Western Hemisphere more than three centuries.

Born in Portland on October 23, 1885, Mr. Stickney is the son of Henry R. and Lula M. (Carpenter) Stickney. His great-grandfather was the publisher of the "Newburyport Herald" at Newburyport, Massachusetts, but crossed the line into Maine in 1820. Afterward he carried on a successful insurance business in Portland. The first Stickney in America was William Stickney. He settled at Rowley, Massachusetts, about eight miles south of Newburyport, in 1639.

Charles E. Stickney was educated in Portland's elementary and high schools and at the University of Maine. He was graduated from the university in 1910. Immediately after receiving his degree at the university, Mr. Stickney went to New York, where he became a clerk in the Bank of Long Island, now the Bank of Manhattan. He remained with this institution until 1915, when he was made treasurer of the Forest City Trust Company of Portland. In 1917 he left the Portland organization to become representative in Maine of the Paine Webber Company of Boston, the investment bankers. His headquarters continued in Portland. In 1919 Mr. Stickney became vice president of the Deering Ice Cream Company. Four years later, Charles W. Noyes and Mr. Stickney bought out the former partner and since then Mr. Noyes and Mr. Stickney have been the dominant figures in the business. With a new election of officers, Mr. Noyes became president, Mr. Stickney treasurer. The company, its products and its slogan, "The Cream of Creams," are known through-

out Maine. Another business interest of Mr. Stickney is the Federal Loan and Building Association of Portland. He is a member of this organization's board of directors.

Mr. Stickney is also a member of the board of trustees of the Portland Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and is a member of such other fraternal bodies as the Greenleaf Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Portland Commandery, Knights Templar, and the Portland Round Table Club. He holds the Thirty-second degree in Masonry. Other organizations to which he belongs are the Lions Club in Portland and the Woodfords Club. He worships in the Woodfords Congregational Church.

Mr. Stickney married Meldora E. Haskell of Portland on April 18, 1917. Mrs. Stickney is the daughter of Frederic E. and Ida M. (Durgin) Haskell, of Brunswick, Maine. Mr. and Mrs. Stickney are the parents of eight children: Henry R. Stickney; Hortense, now Mrs. John M. Warren; Marjorie, now Mrs. Cecil S. Woodbrey; Charles E. Stickney, Jr.; Patricia H., now Mrs. Donald E. Davis; Olivia C. Stickney; Virginia Stickney and Frederic Stickney.

All the children are graduates of the Deering High School, Portland. Henry R. Stickney, who served in the United States Navy in World War II, is now associated with his father in the Deering Ice Cream Company. Mrs. Warren, whose husband also served in the Navy in the war, resides in Portland and is the mother of Sandra and Nancy Warren. Mrs. Woodbrey is also the mother of two daughters, Suzanne and Julie Woodbrey. The Woodbreys live at Sebago Lake, Maine, where Mr. Woodbrey is interested in the Sebago Lake Garage. Charles E. Stickney, Jr., a graduate of



the University of Maine, served as an ensign in the United States Navy Aviation Corps in World War II. He married Anita S. Cooper of Rome, Georgia. Mrs. Davis is also a graduate of the University of Maine, and is a resident of Portland. Olivia C. Stickney attended the University of Maine and the Traphagen School of Design in New York City. She is now director of the advertising department of Rines Department Store, Bangor. Virginia Stickney, the ice cream manufacturer's youngest daughter, is a member of the University of Maine's class of 1950, while Frederic Stickney, the youngest son and child of the family, was, in 1949, at the Deering High School. Mr. Stickney's office is in the plant of the Deering Ice Cream Company, at 184 St. John Street, Portland.

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**LANG, Harold D.**

Harold D. Lang may claim an interest in the insurance business developing throughout his entire career, against a background of his father's achievements in the same field. These representatives of two successive generations have found their occupation well suited to their abilities. Both have been connected in official capacity with the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, and Harold D. Lang, the son, is now its vice president and secretary, his business address being the firm's home office in Portland. His name is readily identified by leading citizens of that community, with an active and constructive interest in civic and political affairs. He enjoys good standing in Masonic organizations, and is a loyal churchman.

Born in Portland, December 24, 1891, Harold D. Lang is a son of J. Frank and Florence H. (Drew) Lang. His father before him had been associated with the

Union Mutual Life Insurance Company when the firm's headquarters were in Boston. His connection with Union Mutual dated from 1881, and continued until the time of his death in 1939, by which time he held the offices of vice president and director, and a sound position of eminence and respect with the firm, based on fifty-eight years of loyal service. He was a native of East Boston, as was his wife the former Florence H. Drew. She survived her husband by only a short time, and both are buried in Portland.

Attending public grade and high schools in Portland, Harold D. Lang graduated from high school there, then entered the employ of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company on January 1, 1910, as a messenger. During his early days of association with the firm he worked in various capacities, chiefly clerical. Applying himself diligently and finding the work congenial, he made rapid advancement, and was promoted to assistant secretary in 1913, scarcely more than three years from the time of his first employment. From that time until 1928 Mr. Lang remained in the office of assistant secretary, and in that year became secretary. He became vice president and secretary in 1939, and has filled these dual offices with great ability to the present time.

Mr. Lang has been a prominent figure in the affairs of Portland, and of the Township of Cape Elizabeth. He is a member of the Republican Town Committee, and has served as ballot clerk. He is also a former captain of the Cape Elizabeth Volunteer Fire Department, and still active as one of its members. Fraternally, Mr. Lang is a member of the Ancient Landmark Lodge in Portland, Free and Accepted Masons, the Greenleaf Chapter of the Royal Arch





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Masons, and of the Portland Commandery of the Knights Templar. In his religious affiliation, he is a member of the First Parish, Unitarian, of Cape Elizabeth. Formerly quite well known as a baseball player, Mr. Lang retains a spectator interest in "the Great American Game."

Harold D. Lang married, at Portland, on October 7, 1915, Gladys C. Hanson of that city, daughter of Harry H. and Carrie (Crabtree) Hanson. Mrs. Lang is a graduate of Portland High School. She and Mr. Lang are the parents of two daughters: 1. Nancy, who was born in Portland. She attended Portland High School, and is a graduate of Oakgrove Academy at Vassalboro, Maine. She also attended Beaver College at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Nancy Lang married on September 4, 1947, Heywood A. Sawyer of Cape Elizabeth, a flight pilot in the United States Army Air Forces during World War II. 2. Katherine H., born in Portland, February 3, 1933, now attending Cape Elizabeth High School. The family make their residence on Mountain View Road in Cape Elizabeth.

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#### **HAYES, John E., Jr.**

In Portland, John E. Hayes, Jr., is a recent addition to its industrial leadership, becoming so when in 1944 he established King Cole Foods, Inc., to make and distribute potato chips, potato sticks, and pop corn. He learned the business in Beverly, Massachusetts.

He was born at Brockton in that state on January 14, 1911, son of John E. and Lottie M. (Pickard) Hayes. After attending local public schools, John E. Hayes, Jr., entered and was graduated from the Berkeley Preparatory School, in Boston, class of 1928. While a student he worked during vacations for his father,

who founded a potato chip business in Beverly, close neighbor of the capital city. In the hard and very thorough way, over a number of years, he learned the none too easy trade of making tasty potato chips. From January, 1937, to May, 1944, he was salesman for the Winslow Potato Chip Company, of Marblehead, Massachusetts, becoming thoroughly acquainted with the sales aspect of the business.

Mr. Hayes, Jr., started out for himself in South Portland in 1944 and located a plant in Boothbay Harbor in 1945. Success required a change or consolidation of location, and in 1947, he built a plant in South Portland, which began to function in May of that year. As mentioned, the products of King Cole Foods, Inc., are potato chips, potato sticks, and pop corn, serving a territory in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Massachusetts. Currently (1949) the firm was operating nearly twenty-five trucks for deliveries, and about sixty people were employed.

Mr. Hayes is a member of the Exchange Club of the city, and is a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

On October 24, 1938, at Beverly, Massachusetts, John E. Hayes, Jr., married Helen C. Callahan, daughter of Charles Thomas and Anne M. (Kelly) Callahan, both of whom are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes, Jr., are the parents of two children, both born at Beverly: 1. John E., 3rd, born July 23, 1940. 2. Judith Ann, born August 7, 1943.

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#### **KARPE, Rev. Frederick A.**

As pastor of Holy Cross Church in South Portland, the Rev. Frederick A. Karpe figures prominently in the spiritual life of his community and takes a leading

role in the civic and social affairs of this region of Maine.

Father Karpe was born in Bradford, Massachusetts, March 6, 1874, and studied in the schools of Eastport, Maine, and New York City. Later he attended St. Mary's College, in Van Buren, Maine, where he received the Master of Arts degree, and had five years of study at the Grand Seminary, in Montreal. It was in the Cathedral of St. James in that city that he was ordained to the priesthood. He celebrated his first mass in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland, and preached his first sermon in St. John's Church, Bangor, where he was appointed a curate on January 1, 1905. In April, 1910, he was named administrator of Immaculate Conception Church in Calais, becoming pastor of the church at Woodland in October of the same year. He remained there until transferred to St. Theresa's parish, in South Brewer, in 1911.

Appointed pastor of Holy Cross Church, South Portland, on August 14, 1914, Father Karpe found his first years in this community very trying, but his wise guidance proved so beneficial that the church flourished under his direction. Through his administrative ability, a considerable church debt was cleared at an early stage of his pastorate. His foresight led him to take the lead in establishing a parish school providing both religious and secular instruction, as prescribed by the laws of the church. Another of his special projects was a hall for the programs of the younger members of the parish who were interested particularly in the Catholic Action program. His policy encouraged an accumulation of funds for the erection of the school building. The school is modern in every way, both physically and in its scholastic re-

quirements. Associated with it are a large hall and meeting rooms, as well as other facilities for furtherance of the social and religious programs of the different church organizations.

In addition to his other work, at Holy Cross Church, Father Karpe is a charter member of Chesems Council of the Knights of Columbus, in which he holds the Fourth degree. He was one of the organizers of this council on January 22, 1922.

Many years of service to Holy Cross Church and its related organizations, as well as to the South Portland community, have been fruitful to all concerned, and he is widely known among the people of this community, as well as among his own parishioners.

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**GIRARDIN, Rev. Antonio M. and  
COYNE, Rev. Thomas F.**

Born at Auburn, on August 4, 1910, the Rev. Antonio M. Girardin is a son of Joseph and Mary (Dostie) Girardin. He was educated at St. Louis Grammar School at Auburn, St. Hyacinthe's College in Canada, the Seminary of Philosophy, Montreal, Province of Quebec, and the Grand Seminary, Montreal. Father Girardin was ordained on May 28, 1937, in Portland, by the Most Rev. Joseph E. McCarthy, D.D., Bishop of Portland. After serving appointments in Waterville, Springvale, and South Berwick, he was a chaplain in the United States Army during World War II, being appointed to the Holy Cross parish, on October 5, 1946.

The Rev. Thomas F. Coyne was born at Portland, on November 23, 1915, the son of Thomas P. and Helen C. Coyne, natives of Ireland, who settled and married in Portland when young people.



Father Coyne was educated at St. Dominic's Grammar School, Cheverus High School, and St. Joseph's University, in New Brunswick, Canada; St. Francis Xavier University in Nova Scotia; the Seminary of Philosophy and Grand Seminary, both in Montreal, Province of Quebec. Ordained to the priesthood on May 30, 1942, by the Most Rev. Joseph E. McCarthy, D.D., Bishop of Portland, he was appointed to the Holy Cross parish, South Portland, on June 6, 1942, and has since continued his religious services to this parish.

The first mass in the state of Maine, in 1604, was offered by the Rev. Nicholas Aubrey, who accompanied the Sieur de Monts French Expedition into this region. Missions were established during the following century and destroyed, and the Catholic Church expanded, but slowly, for another century. In 1853 the Diocese of Portland was founded, and the Holy Cross parish in South Portland is the outgrowth of a Sunday school started more than three centuries after the Rev. Nicholas Aubrey said mass, a school which began as a meeting assembled on June 14, 1905. From then to 1911, masses were said at the East High School, at Fort Preble, and at Fort Williams. In 1911 the Most Rev. Luis S. Welsh separated the South Portland parish from St. Dominic's Parish, in charge of the Rev. John B. Sekenger, the first mass being said at Union Hall on June 4, 1911. In the following year the title, Holy Cross, was given the parish, during the thirteenth centenary of The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Pope Pius X had proclaimed that as a Jubilee Year. The construction of the church was begun formally on May 3, 1913. The Holy Cross edifice is well designed, dignified and

impressive. Holy Cross School and hall are modern and reasonably adequate for the services required.

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#### **CARPENTER, Murray**

In Portland, radio station WPOR modestly proclaims that it is the city's favorite station, a statement that the polls of listeners has substantiated. Since its inception, Murray Carpenter has been identified with this enterprise, having been president of the corporation for practically all of its time on the air. Experience in New York City amply fitted him to carry on the many and demanding responsibilities of his position, and the popularity of WPOR attests his skill and executive abilities.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, on October 3, 1915, Murray Carpenter is a son of William T. and Ethel (Tyson) Carpenter. His father, a native of West Pittston, Pennsylvania, is currently chief chemist for the Department of Public Works, City of New York. His mother was born in Brooklyn. After attending the grammar schools of his birthplace, Murray Carpenter studied at the Brooklyn Technical High School, from which he was graduated.

The first employment of note engaged in by Murray Carpenter was that of a bellboy with the Panama Pacific Steamship Company Lines, work that appealed to his imagination, if not to his finances. After six months, in the autumn of 1934, he started as a messenger with the Compton Advertising Company, of New York City. He worked his way up to supervisor of media, and as such resigned in 1945. In October of that year he went to Portland, Maine, as manager of the proposed radio station there, WPOR. He



had a lot of promotion and foundation work to do, but on March 22, 1946, WPOR became effective as an affiliate of the American Broadcasting Company. Since the spring of the following year, Mr. Carpenter has been president of the corporation, responsible for its successful operations and services rendered the public. A New York research expert recently enquired of twenty-five hundred citizens of the Portland area: "Which city station do you like best?" Forty-two and seven-tenths percent named WPOR.

Murray Carpenter has entered several organizations and civic activities in Portland. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Cumberland Club, the Portland Club, the Portland Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and figures prominently in the Maine Publicity Bureau. He attends the Williston Congregational Church.

On April 23, 1938, at New York, Murray Carpenter married Harriet Lang, daughter of Harry and Erna (Millon) Lang. Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter are the parents of three children: 1. Carol Sue, who was born at East Williston, New York, December 22, 1940; student at Cottage Farms School. 2. Nancy Beth, born at Port Washington, New York, February 17, 1943. 3. Robin Lang, born at Port Washington, in June, 1944.

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#### **MAHONEY, William B.**

A native and lifelong citizen of Portland, it is fitting that the career of William B. Mahoney be identified with this Maine metropolis. As a trial and corporation lawyer, he has won recognition for his abilities and knowledge by colleagues and clients. As an attorney of the modern school he is keenly interested in the progress of his profession and in encourag-

ing young men to prepare themselves adequately if they expect to be worthy exemplars of the bar and bench. He is president of the Cumberland County Law Association, and a former president of the Middle Temple, a Portland law organization.

The roots of the Mahoney family are deep in the soil of Maine and of Portland. His great-grandfather, a native of Queen's County, Ireland, migrated to St. John, Province of New Brunswick, Canada, in 1843. It is related of him that he walked from the New Brunswick city to Portland, shortly after, and decided to settle there more than a century ago. His son, Dennis Mahoney, married Ann Riley of Portland. Dennis Mahoney was lured by the gold rush of '49, and in about 1850 went on to the Golden State. His son, Patrick Mahoney, was born in San Francisco, California, in 1866, and returned to Portland in 1872. A plumber by trade, he established the firm of Myers and Mahoney in 1895, and became a progressive citizen of the city. A no-doubt-forgotten page in his history is the fact that he was an expert baseball player who had a tryout by the Boston National League Team, as a first baseman. He married Ellen Madden, a native of Portland, whose death occurred on December 4, 1938. Patrick Mahoney died on November 14, 1946, in his eightieth year.

William B. Mahoney, son of Patrick and Ellen (Madden) Mahoney, was born in Portland on April 7, 1895. After attending local grammar schools, he was graduated from high school in 1914. Entering the Boston University Law School, he received his Bachelor of Law degree with the class of 1917. That same year he was admitted to the Maine bar and established a practice in Portland. As indicated, while he carries on a general law practice,

he is especially active as a trial lawyer, a specialist in insurance and corporation law. He is a member of the Phi Delta Phi, law fraternity, and Woolsack at Boston University. He is president of the Cumberland County Bar Association, and former president of the Middle Temple, a law club; member of the Maine State Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. Mr. Mahoney is counsel for the Sisters of Mercy, and for the Mercy Hospital of Portland. During World War I, he was an ensign in the United States Navy, from June, 1918, to August, 1919, and continued with the Navy Reserve until late in 1921. A member of the Portland Club, he served it as vice president in 1947-48. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, being a Deputy Grand Knight, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the American Legion. He worships in the Catholic faith at St. Joseph's Church, Portland.

On September 28, 1925, in the Cathedral, at Portland, William B. Mahoney married Ellen Cavanagh, of this city, daughter of Michael E. and Harriet (Site-man) Cavanagh. Mr. and Mrs. Mahoney are the parents of the following children: 1. William D., who was born October 6, 1926, is a graduate of Cheverus High School, and of Georgetown University, class of 1950. During World War II, he served in the United States Naval Reserve, with the rating of naval aviator machinist mate, 2nd class. 2. Ellen C., who was born July 7, 1928, is a graduate of St. Joseph's Academy, class of 1946, and Northeastern University, class of October, 1947. She is currently serving as secretary of the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, at Portland. 3. Lawrence P., who was born July 31, 1931, an undergraduate at Cheverus High School. 4.

Mary K., who was born April 8, 1934, is a graduate of St. Joseph's Grammar School, 1948.

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#### **ABBOTT, Chester G.**

In the course of an exceptionally active career, Chester G. Abbott was for some years an executive in the Middle West, but a New Englander by birth, inheritance and tradition, he returned to the state in which he was educated, married, and was first employed. In Portland he is the president and official of several corporations, and a popular figure in business, civic, and club organizations.

Chester G. Abbott was born at Lynn, Massachusetts, on June 1, 1890, son of Lewis H. and Mary E. Abbott, his father being connected with the General Electric Company, of Lynn, for many years. After being graduated from the Lynn English High School, Chester G. Abbott entered Bowdoin College, where he was graduated with the class of 1913, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. That same year he entered the employ of The Henley Kimball Company, of Boston, as manager of its Portland branch office, an association that was continued for six years. In 1924, however, he went to the Boston headquarters of the company. From 1929 to 1934 he was at Detroit, Michigan, as general sales manager, assistant general manager, and a director of the Hudson Motor Car Company.

In 1935 Mr. Abbott returned to The Henley Kimball Company as vice president and general manager, resigning in 1938 to organize the Transport Company, of Portland, of which he since has been president and treasurer. He is a member of the board of directors of Industries, Inc., the Portland Plateyard, Inc., and is an incorporator of the Maine Savings Bank of Portland, and since 1942 has



been its vice president, and is associated with The First Portland National Bank. The abilities and experience of Mr. Abbott have frequently been drafted for public service. For two years he was president of the Community Chest, and he has been treasurer, a director, and in 1943-44 president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, a prominent worker in the endeavor to "sell" the Maine metropolis to the world at large for the thriving city that it is. Mr. Abbott is a past president and honorary life member of the Lions Club of Portland and is an overseer of Bowdoin College. Other personal affiliations include those with the Cumberland Club and the Portland Country Club. He is of the Congregational faith.

On October 16, 1915, at Portland, Maine, Chester G. Abbott married Olive Barnes, daughter of Holman M. and Lillian (Sylvester) Barnes. Mr. and Mrs. Abbott are the parents of two children: 1. Nancy Sylvester, born in Portland, February 10, 1918, a graduate of Deering High School, and Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, class of 1939, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. During World War II she was attached to the Intelligence Department, United States Government, at Washington, D. C.; she married Captain James R. Thompson, and they are the parents of two children, both born in Portland: James R., Jr., and Dana Douglas. Captain Thompson, who served in the United States Army during World War II, is currently general manager of the South Portland Planing Mill, Inc. 2. Mary Lewis, born in Portland, September 16, 1920, a graduate of the Winsor School, Boston, and Smith College, a Bachelor of Arts, class of 1941; she married Lieutenant Commander Edward J. Samp, Jr., of Madison, Wisconsin, and they are the parents of twins, born Feb-

ruary 20, 1948, Edward J., Jr., and John B. Lieutenant Commander Samp, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, and the Harvard University Law School, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, is currently practicing his profession in Boston, and the family resides in Cambridge.

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#### **HAY, Lloyd Graham**

A prominent funeral director of Portland, Lloyd Graham Hay carries on not only the business of his father, but likewise the example of the elder man as a leader in the civic, fraternal, and club circles of the city. A college man and popular figure in campus activities, he is interested in education and cultural affairs; promotes municipal progress without political ambitions, and is generous in the support of charitable and humanitarian projects.

The father, Walter Graham Hay, a funeral director in Portland from the turn of the century to his passing in 1943, was, like his son, a native of Tangier, Nova Scotia, Canada. Born on March 25, 1872, son of William and Mary (Reid) Hay, he was educated at Pictou Academy, Nova Scotia; Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire; and Boston University. Settling in Portland in 1899, he entered the funeral directing business, September 1, 1900, at Woodfords Corner, under the name of Walter G. Hay and Company. Later he formed a partnership with the late Everett Webb, under the firm name of Hay and Webb. After Mr. Webb's death, Mr. Hay formed a partnership with the late Barrak C. Peabody, and they were in business together nearly twenty-five years under the name of Hay and Peabody. Shortly after Mr. Peabody's death in 1929, Lloyd G. Hay became associated with his father in the business, which has continued under the name of







Clayton S. Hay



Walter G. Hay





Hay and Peabody. Walter Graham Hay was one of the first members of the Portland Rotary Club, was a member of the board of trustees of the Portland Elks Club, and a past president of the Venerable Cunner Association, and of the New England Fat Men's Association. He was a member of Deering Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Deering Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; Portland Council, Royal and Select Masters; Mt. Vernon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Scottish Rite Orders; St. Albans Commandery, Knights Templar; Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and the Royal Order of Jesters. He also was a member of the Portland Club, the Woodfords Club, the Cumberland County Fish and Game Association, the Maine Three-Quarter Century Club, the Aged Brotherhood, the United Order of Golden Cross, the Modern Woodmen of America, the Quarter Century Traveling Men's Club, the Dartmouth Club of Maine, North Deering Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, and the old Portland Athletic Club. Walter Graham Hay died in 1943, at the age of threescore years and ten.

Lloyd Graham Hay was born in Tangier, Nova Scotia, Canada, on May 19, 1899, son of Walter Graham and Cora E. (Murdock) Hay. After attending the grammar schools of Portland he entered the Portland High School, from which he was graduated in 1918. Matriculating at the University of Maine, he received his degree Bachelor of Science, with the class of 1923. Later he was a student at the McAllister School of Embalming in New York City. His education had been interrupted by service during World War I, when he was with the 72nd Artillery, American Expeditionary Forces.

Mr. Hay initiated his business career

by engaging in the wholesale and retail hosiery trade, remaining thus connected for seven years. In 1930 he was persuaded to come with his father as a funeral director and, upon the demise of the older man in 1943, became the sole proprietor of the long-established concern, the Hay and Peabody Funeral Home, which has been located at 749 Congress Street for a quarter of a century. A man of ideas and foresight, his funeral home has been kept thoroughly modernized; equipment is of the best and services rendered are the most complete possible.

Along business lines Lloyd Graham Hay is a member of the Board of Control of the National Selected Morticians, and is a director of the Federal Loan and Building Association. The variety of his personal interests is indicated by his memberships, for he belongs to the Portland Lions Club, the Woodfords Club, Cumberland Club, the Quarter Century Traveling Men's Club, the Portland Yacht Club, the Portland Country Club, and is a past president of Portland Chapter of Round Table International. His college fraternity is Phi Gamma Delta. Fraternally Mr. Hay is affiliated with the Ancient Landmark Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Greenleaf Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Portland Council, Royal and Select Masters; Portland Commandery, Knights Templar; Scottish Rite Orders; a past Patron of Longfellow Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; Divan of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

In 1933, Lloyd Graham Hay married Ruth A. Libby, of Portland, daughter of the late Almon G. and Lena (Smith) Libby. Mr. and Mrs. Hay are the parents

of two daughters: Elizabeth, who was born in 1937, and Martha, who was born in 1945.

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**RICHARDSON, Forrest E.**

Prominent Portland lawyer and member of the law firm of Robinson, Richardson & Leddy, a firm which specializes in casualty insurance law, Forrest E. Richardson was born April 15, 1897 in Eastbrook, the son of Elbridge Oliver and Celia E. (Butler) Richardson, the latter now deceased. Elbridge Oliver Richardson, who, now in his early eighties, is retired, was a woods operator and considered one of the most powerful woodsmen in the entire state of Maine. Over six feet tall and weighing two hundred pounds, with muscles of steel, he is still at his age a most remarkable individual. He is a native of Bradley.

Forrest E. Richardson attended the public schools of Bar Harbor and graduated from Kents Hill School, where he was president of the senior class and captain of the football team. For many years Mr. Richardson served as a trustee of Kents Hill School, and he is now an honorary trustee. During summer vacations and on holidays Mr. Richardson worked as a telegraph operator for the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad, saving his earnings to further his education. He attended the University of Maine summer school and Boston University Law School, where he graduated in 1924, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, magna cum laude. He was admitted to the Maine State Bar that same year. While at the law school, Mr. Richardson was president of the Woolsack, honorary legal fraternity at Boston University in 1923-24, and he is also a member of Delta Theta Phi legal fraternity. He belongs to the Cumberland County Bar Association and the

American Bar Association, and serves in the latter organization as the Maine member of the standing committee on unauthorized practice of the law.

Fraternally Mr. Richardson is affiliated with Bar Harbor Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and with Bar Harbor Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. During World War I he served as radioman second class in the United States Naval Reserve Forces, and during World War II was a chairman of a Portland War Price and Rationing Board. He belongs to the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Richardson is considered one of the outstanding men in his profession in Maine. The other members of the law firm of Robinson, Richardson & Leddy are Clement F. Robinson and John D. Leddy. This firm has made a reputation of high order in its specialty of casualty insurance law.

Forrest E. Richardson married (first) Dorothy P. Babbidge of Dark Harbor, Maine, who died in December, 1947. To this union were born five children: 1. Priscilla Babbidge, born in Plymouth, New Hampshire, a graduate of Boston University. 2. Dorothy Parker, born at Belfast, Maine, a graduate of Barnard College in New York City. She was married in September, 1948, to James Champlion Waugh, a senior at Williams College. 3. Clement Franklin, born in Portland, served during World War II in the United States Naval Reserve Forces in the V-5 program and later as a quartermaster. He is now a senior at Bowdoin College. 4. Harry A., born in Portland, a freshman at the University of Maine. 5. Judith, born in Portland, a student at The Waynflete School of Portland. Forrest E. Richardson married (second) Phyllis Babbidge, a sister of his first wife.



**MARTIN, Carlton E.**

The varied industrial interests of Portland contribute not only to local prosperity, but make the name favorably known, especially in New England and nearby areas of Canada. Carlton E. Martin has been an active business man in the city for all of his mature years, and since 1935 has been president of the Portland Burial Case Company, manufacturers of caskets. Beyond the demands of his business, he engages in many other phases of city life and co-operates with varied community projects in South Portland, where he makes his home.

Born at Standish, Maine, on November 11, 1898, Carlton E. Martin is a son of William M. and Gertrude M. (Mains) Martin, his mother, a native of Otisfield, died on September 17, 1944. His father, who established the Portland Burial Case Company, in 1919, died on June 20, 1935. The family had moved to Portland in 1906, and it was in the city's grammar and high school that Carlton E. Martin acquired his elementary and secondary education. Graduated from the Deering High School, he entered the University of Maine, where he engaged in a number of campus activities, being a star pitcher on the varsity team, and was a fellow musician with Rudy Vallee.

Prior to entering business for himself he was employed by the Hay and Peabody Funeral Home, now directed by Lloyd Graham Hay. In 1923 he became associated with his father in the Portland Burial Case Company, and continued at its head over a number of years. Since 1935 and the death of his father, Carlton E. Martin has been president and treasurer of the company, which is outstanding in the manufacture of caskets. He likewise is a member of the board of directors of the Homestead Savings and

Loan Association, of Portland, and is financially interested in other local enterprises.

As a young man he served during World War I, as a buck private in the United States Army, and is a member of the Caldwell Post of the American Legion, in Portland. Fraternally Mr. Martin is affiliated with Deering Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Portland, and is a member of the higher bodies of the Order, including the Portland Valley Consistory, of which he is a Thirty-second degree Mason, and Kora Temple, at Lewiston, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His clubs include the Portland Country Club, the Woodfords Club, and the Portland Club, and in business groups he figures prominently in the Portland Chamber of Commerce. He attends the Woodfords Congregational Church, and is liberal in his contributions to religious and charitable works. For recreation he enjoys golf and fishing.

At Franklin, Maine, on October 16, 1922, Carlton E. Martin married Helen E. Bragdon, daughter of William E. and Martha (Bean) Bragdon. Mr. and Mrs. Martin are the parents of a son: Donald E., who was born in Portland, March 25, 1925. He is a graduate of Deering High School, and of Bowdoin College, class of 1948, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. During World War II, Donald E. Martin served with the United States Army Air Corps, with the rank of lieutenant navigator. He is now associated in business with his father.

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**BRACKETT, Anthony G. L., Ed.M.**

To his position as superintendent of schools of Westbrook and the town of Gorham, Cumberland County, Anthony G. L. Brackett brought exceptional scho-

lastic qualifications and unusually varied experience as an educator. He is a skilled teacher, an adequate administrator and in the relatively few years that he has held his current post has improved both the curricula of his schools and the service they render the public.

Anthony G. L. Brackett is a native of Westbrook, Maine, born December 13, 1909, son of Carl B. and Edith (Lombard) Brackett, his father, now retired, also being a native of this community. His mother was born at Worcester, Massachusetts. After being prepared for higher studies at the Westbrook High School, Mr. Brackett matriculated at Middlebury College, Vermont, where he was graduated a Bachelor of Science, class of 1933. In 1942 he received the degree Master of Education from Harvard University.

For about a year after leaving Middlebury College, Anthony G. L. Brackett was connected with Dun and Bradstreet, at Bangor. He took up education as a career in 1934, however, and spent a scholastic year at Lee Academy, Lee, Maine. From 1935 to 1939, he was a member of the faculty of the well-known Bordentown Military Institute, New Jersey. From 1939 to 1942, Mr. Brackett was sub-master at the Cape Elizabeth High School, and from 1942 to 1944 was principal of the Westford Academy, Westford, Massachusetts. From 1945 to 1947, he was principal of the Brunswick High School, and since 1947 has served as the capable superintendent of schools for Westbrook and the town of Gorham, Cumberland County.

A number of varied activities have been engaged in by Mr. Brackett down through the years. Mention has been made of his association with Dun and Bradstreet. Intermittently he has done work for the Gannett Publishing Com-

pany, at Portland, and still retains his membership in the American Newspaper Guild. During World War II, he served in the United States Navy, with the rank of lieutenant junior grade. Professional connections include those with the National Education Association, American Association of School Administrators, and the Maine Teachers' Association. His college fraternities are Sigma Phi Epsilon, Tau Kappa Alpha, and Pi Delta Epsilon. He takes his place among the progressive citizens of Westbrook as a member of the Rotary Club, and a community leader. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Presumpscot Lodge No. 127, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Windham, Maine. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

On June 16, 1937, at Bordentown, New Jersey, Anthony G. L. Brackett married Clarice B. Miller, daughter of Alfred and Bessie (Birnam) Miller, of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Brackett are the parents of two children, both born at Portland: 1. Elisabeth A., born December 14, 1939. 2. Robert G. A., born February 4, 1941.

#### **MOREY, Lloyd William, D.O.**

Engaged in a general practice as an osteopathic physician at Millinocket, Dr. Lloyd William Morey is one of this community's leading professional men. He has taken a deep interest in a great variety of matters, both professional and civic, and is known for his inventive work in connection with medicine and the healing arts.

Dr. Morey was born July 18, 1906, at Cicero, New York, son of Fred A. and Rena M. (Fuller) Morey, and member of an old family. His paternal ancestors came to this country from Switzerland in the early nineteenth century; the founder of the line on this side of the







*Philip M. Libby*

Atlantic having been Fred Morey or "Moeri," as the name was originally spelled. Dr. Morey's mother was descended from the first child born on the "Mayflower" on its famous voyage to America. Fred A. Morey, Dr. Morey's father, is a prosperous farmer in Cicero at the time of writing. His mother died in 1931.

In Syracuse, New York, Dr. Lloyd William Morey attended North High School, where he was graduated in 1927. He entered the Kirksville, Missouri, College of Osteopathy and Surgery for his professional studies, and received his degree of Doctor of Osteopathy in 1931. At Kirksville, he was editor of the "Stil-etto," the college weekly. In 1931, he passed his tests with the Maine Board of Examiners, and opened an office in the Kimball Building, Millinocket. In 1938 he purchased the Bryant Hospital, where he now lives and has his office. His services to the profession have been of great value, both in his office work and his numerous hospital and institutional activities. He was one of the organizers of Bangor Osteopathic Hospital, of which he was president in 1944 and is now a director. He has achieved considerable distinction as co-inventor of the Morey Lymphatic Pump, a therapeutic apparatus used in acute and chronic diseases.

Among his other activities, Dr. Morey is now working on a "History of Osteopathy in the State of Maine," an assignment commissioned to him by the Maine State Osteopathic Association, of which he is a leading member. He was president of this association in 1942, after having held numerous other offices. From 1931 to 1941, he was chairman of the publicity committee, afterward serving as a director of the association in 1934, 1937, 1939, 1944, 1947, and 1948. Between

1937 and 1941, he was editor of the "News Bulletin" of which he was the originator. He was, from 1942 to 1945, war service advisor of the State Osteopathic Association. He also is a member of the American Osteopathic Association. He was appointed to the State Board of Osteopathic Examination and Registration by Governor Hildreth in 1947. A Republican in politics, he was twice elected to the Millinocket School Board, first in 1938 and again in 1941. He became a member of the Penobscot County Draft Board in 1948 and 1949. In 1948 he was president of the Millinocket Chamber of Commerce. He is now a member of the Lions Club, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Sigma Sigma Phi and Alpha Tau Sigma professional fraternities, and the Congregational Church.

Dr. Lloyd William Morey married (first), July 13, 1929, at Syracuse, New York, Lillian B. Green, of Syracuse, daughter of Fred and Belle Green. They became the parents of two children: 1. Lloyd William, Jr., born March 30, 1930, attended Millinocket schools and Hyde Park High School, Hyde Park, New York, and is now a student at Ricker Junior College, Houlton, where he is taking a pre-osteopathic course. 2. Lona Jean, born March 3, 1934, a student at Roosevelt High School, Hyde Park, New York.

Dr. Lloyd William Morey married (second), July 10, 1946, at Millinocket, Maine, Lillian G. Larlee, of Millinocket, daughter of Daniel and Gladys Larlee. Their adopted child is Carolyn Jean, born July 6, 1943 and they have a son, Frederick Coleman, born March 24, 1949.

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#### **LIBBY, Philip Merton**

For many years the late Philip Merton Libby was owner and president of Uni-



versal Laundry, Inc., one of the largest and most successful plants of its kind in New England, Mr. Libby built up an excellent record of service to his country in wartime and to his community in times of peace. He was an active and popular fraternalist, and his reputation as a business man had gained him the confidence of the civic and commercial leadership of Portland.

Mr. Libby was born in Portland, March 1, 1891, son of Robert Dresser and Mary (Hanson) Libby. They came to Portland from Harrison, Maine, and Robert D. Libby was the founder of Universal Laundry, Inc. Their son, Philip Merton, attended the Portland public schools, and graduated in 1911 from the Portland High School. He then attended Worcester Academy at Worcester, Massachusetts. He was a member of Alpha Delta Sigma fraternity from high school days, and over an equal period of time was very active in athletics, particularly track events.

During World War I Mr. Libby enlisted in the United States Army Ambulance Service of the American Expeditionary Forces, and served overseas in France for a period of about two years.

Throughout his mature years, his career was identified with the Universal Laundry Company, of which he was owner and president until the time of his death. Universal Laundry, Inc., is the largest plant of its kind in the state of Maine, and one of the largest in New England. It has been ably managed by two successive generations of this family, and Mrs. Philip M. Libby is its president and owner at the present time.

Mr. Libby was an enthusiastic fraternalist. He was a charter member of the Portland Lions Club, and a member of the Portland Club, the Cumberland

Club, the Portland Country Club, and the Harold T. Andrews Post of the American Legion. In religious affiliation, he was a member of St. Lawrence Congregational Church.

Mr. Libby was very active in Masonic work, and at the time of his death was a member of the Divan, in line of succession for the office of Potentate. He was a member of the Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 17, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; the Mount Vernon Chapter No. 1, Royal Arch Masons; Portland Council No. 4, Royal and Select Masters; St. Albans Commandery No. 8, Knights Templar. Holding the Thirty-second degree in Masonry, Scottish Rite bodies, he was a member of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Lewiston, and the Kora Shrine Club at Portland.

At Blackstrap, West Falmouth, Maine, September 24, 1924, Philip M. Libby married Florence Mae Leighton, daughter of Ashton LaForest and Jennie Aurelia (Leighton) Leighton. Her father was one of the Portland Leightons, while her mother was of a branch of the family resident in Westbrook. Mr. and Mrs. Libby became the parents of two children: 1. Nancy (Libby) Leeman, born January 18, 1926. 2. Robert Ashton, born January 22, 1930. The family's home is at 62 Woodmont Street.

Mr. Libby died on April 11, 1939. Active to the end in the prosecution of the enterprise to which he was so deeply loyal, he set a splendid example of the able, progressive business man, and was held in the highest regard by his fellow townsmen.

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#### UNIVERSAL LAUNDRY, INC.

The Universal Laundry, Inc., located at Cumberland Avenue and Elm Street in



Portland, has served the public for sixty years, an enviable record which is possible of achievement only in a firm which gives competent, ethical service, and maintains a high standard of workmanship. Walter L. Spallholz is its general manager.

The laundry was established June 6, 1887, by the late Robert D. Libby, with the simple assets of a tub, a boy's express wagon, and five dollars in cash. Mr. Libby opened a shop on the corner of Congress Street and Washington Avenue, and not only operated the establishment himself, but was his own "outside man," delivering bundles in the cart in summer, and on a sled in winter. Most of his business was in starched shirts, collars and cuffs, for which he charged twenty-five cents per bundle. In 1889 Mr. Libby moved his laundry to 105 Middle Street, and purchased the Portland Laundry. Seven years later this building burned, and the intrepid little enterprise moved its location to the corner of Pearl and Congress streets, at the location of the present fire station. It continued to prosper, and bought out the Standard Laundry.

Between this time and 1914, when the concern made its final removal to the present location, most of its volume of business consisted of wholesale flat work, for hotels and the New York Steamship Line. In 1908 Robert D. Libby started a coat, apron, and towel supply service under the direction of Leland Cary, who is still a member of the firm. At Mr. Libby's death in 1933, management of the firm was taken over by his son, Philip M. Libby, who served in the chief executive office until his own death in 1939.

During World War II, Universal Laundry, Inc., skillfully managed a great

increase in business. A large amount of civilian trade came as a consequence of the shipyards which were located in Portland; and the company also contracted for a number of large navy accounts, including the hospitals, naval stations, and ships coming to Portland. In 1944 the firm purchased the Greely Laundry, and converted it into a wholesale plant handling the linen supply department, commercial flat work, and wet wash department. The original Universal plant handles family laundry exclusively.

Its steady growth has, through its history of sixty years of service, made it the fifth largest laundry establishment in New England, and its operations cover a radius of about one hundred and twenty miles. It serves summer resorts as far distant as Boothbay Harbor and Bretton Woods, in the White Mountains. Twenty-eight of its nearly seventy employees have been with the firm ten years or more. Officials of the laundry at the time of its sixtieth anniversary were: Mrs. Philip M. Libby, president; Walter L. Spallholz, general manager; Arthur H. Brown, superintendent of the Universal plant; Herve Tanguay, assistant superintendent; Gilbert Hall, assistant superintendent; Ernest Jenkinson, superintendent of the Greely plant; George R. St. John, manager of the linen supply department; Ralph F. Currie, sales manager; and Horace C. Stinson, Sr., chief engineer.

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#### **SPALLHOLZ, Walter L.**

Walter L. Spallholz is general manager of the Universal Laundry, Inc., of Portland, of which long-established business enterprise a separate sketch appears in this volume. Mr. Spallholz has, throughout his career, held supervisory positions in the industry in which he is

now engaged. He has been a participant in community affairs, and Masonic activities.

Mr. Spallholz is a native of Albany, New York, and a son of Henry A. and Lizzie M. (Ferguson) Spallholz. He was born April 24, 1909, and after completing his secondary education entered Tome School at Port Deposit, Maryland, from which he graduated in 1928. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Columbia University in New York City, in 1932. From that year until 1935, Mr. Spallholz was employed as manager of the plant at Beldings Certified Laundry at Northampton, Massachusetts, and at Rosendale, Massachusetts. In 1935 he first came to Portland, in the capacity of superintendent of the Universal Laundry, Inc., which was then under the ownership of the late Philip M. Libby. He terminated this connection in 1938 to establish his own laundry, under the name of the Good Housekeeper's Laundry, Inc., located at 677 South Street in Rosendale, Massachusetts. This firm has been successful in its operations, and is managed today by Mr. Spallholz' brother, Ernest. In 1941 Walter L. Spallholz returned to Portland and to the Universal Laundry, Inc., becoming its manager, as he has remained to the present.

Mr. Spallholz, who has earned a good name among Portland's business leaders, is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and has been a positive factor in the Community Chest, the American Red Cross, and the Young Men's Christian Association drives. He was chairman of the Young Men's Christian Association membership drive in 1944. For the past eleven years, Mr. Spallholz has been a director of the Massachusetts Laundry Owners Association. During World War II, he served as consultant for the War

Department in establishing laundries in the northeastern part of the United States. Locally, he is a member of the Cumberland Club, the Portland Yacht Club, the Kiwanis Club of Portland, and of the Executives Club. He and his family attend the Williston Congregational Church.

In his Masonic activities, Mr. Spallholz is a member of Cornerstone Lodge No. 216 in Portland of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; the Mount Vernon Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons; the Portland Council of the Royal and Select Masters; and the Portland Commandery of the Knights Templar. He is a member of the Maine Consistory, has attained the Thirty-second degree, and belongs to Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Spallholz' favorite outdoor recreation is boating.

At Portland, Walter L. Spallholz married Olivia Cooney, daughter of James and Dorothea (Snow) Cooney, of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Spallholz have three children: 1. Marsha Stuart, born December 12, 1940. 2. Carol Lind, born January 4, 1947. 3. Dana Jean, born June 15, 1948.

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#### **RANDALL, Ernest A.**

As president and treasurer of Randall and McAllister, wholesale and retail coal dealers, Ernest A. Randall has taken an important part in the business life of Portland.

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Mr. Spallholz is a native of Albany, New York, and a son of Henry A. and Lizzie M. (Ferguson) Spallholz. He was born April 24, 1909, and after completing his secondary education entered Tome School at Port Deposit, Maryland, from which he graduated in 1928. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Columbia University in New York City, in 1932. From that year until 1935, Mr. Spallholz was employed as manager of the plant at Beldings Certified Laundry at Northampton, Massachusetts, and at Rosendale, Massachusetts. In 1935 he first came to Portland, in the capacity of superintendent of the Universal Laundry, Inc., which was then under the ownership of the late Philip M. Libby. He terminated this connection in 1938 to establish his own laundry, under the name of the Good Housekeeper's Laundry, Inc., located at 677 South Street in Rosendale, Massachusetts. This firm has been successful in its operations, and is managed today by Mr. Spallholz' brother, Ernest. In 1941 Walter L. Spallholz returned to Portland and to the Universal Laundry, Inc., becoming its manager, as he has remained to the present.

Mr. Spallholz, who has earned a good name among Portland's business leaders, is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and has been a positive factor in the Community Chest, the American Red Cross, and the Young Men's Christian Association drives. He was chairman of the Young Men's Christian Association membership drive in 1944. For the past eleven years, Mr. Spallholz has been a director of the Massachusetts Laundry Owners Association. During World War II, he served as consultant for the War

Department in establishing laundries in the northeastern part of the United States. Locally, he is a member of the Cumberland Club, the Portland Yacht Club, the Kiwanis Club of Portland, and of the Executives Club. He and his family attend the Williston Congregational Church.

In his Masonic activities, Mr. Spallholz is a member of Cornerstone Lodge No. 216 in Portland of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; the Mount Vernon Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons; the Portland Council of the Royal and Select Masters; and the Portland Commandery of the Knights Templar. He is a member of the Maine Consistory, has attained the Thirty-second degree, and belongs to Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Spallholz' favorite outdoor recreation is boating.

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shares in ships. They made bands, chocks, cleats, sail thimbles, capstans, windlasses, blocks, sheaves. They made manhole plates for tanks, cargo hooks, anchors, chain plates which hold the shrouds which in turn support the masts, and other hardware. Many a ship, plying the Eastern coast or the high seas, remained intact during a raging storm largely because of the solid construction of Laughlin hardware. Of many sloops, barkentines, square riggers, and clipper ships which were built along the New England Coast, the Laughlins not only wrought the iron for the construction, but repaired them when they returned to port. The George Russell Shipyards in Portland, and the J. S. Winslow and Company of the same city were customers of the Laughlins, as were other builders of New England's wooden ships. Such ships as those of the Russell Lewis Company, traders with South America, were fitted with Laughlin iron.

After 1880, however, the Laughlin business started to slow down because iron and steel steamships were supplanting those of wooden construction. This called for adaptability, and the newly organized Thomas Laughlin Company was equal to the occasion. They began production of requirements for the newer merchant ships, including a line of wire rope fittings, bronze blocks for yachts, turnbuckles, cabin windows, oar locks, bilge pumps, and similar products for pleasure craft. In later years their products appeared on many prominent ships, such as Admiral Peary's "Roosevelt" and Donald B. Macmillan's "Bowdoin." A galvanizing shop was added in 1890 to take care of the increased demand for zinc-coated products; and steam drop hammers were installed to keep pace with the growth of machine forging. The management also

utilized plant capacity by selling land industries products identical with those used on vessels. A patented wire rope clip, and the "Missing Link" for making chain repairs, are two examples of exclusive Laughlin products well received by industries.

"Uncle Tom" Laughlin died in 1890, and the concern was then incorporated, using the same name as before, with Thomas Samuel Laughlin as president. When he passed away in 1908, Alexander Thomas Laughlin, a nephew of "Uncle Tom," became president of the Company. In 1903 Robert Stuart Laughlin, another nephew of the founder and brother of Alexander Thomas, became treasurer, which office he continues to hold. Donald Stuart Laughlin, president of the company since 1934, and the subject of this sketch, is a grand-nephew of the original Thomas, and a son of Alexander Thomas.

In the modern plant of the Laughlin Company, built in 1939, a variety of products to the number of ninety-two thousand are produced—products of all sizes and styles. Exceeding the bounds of the United States, the company's business is carried into twenty other countries. Sixty per cent of the firm's output is now for land industries, the remainder for marine. The latter lines are sold to shipbuilders, chandlers, hardware stores, and distributors of marine products. Many products now manufactured are simply improvements over those made fifty or sixty years ago.

The Portland plant of the Thomas Laughlin Company is divided into five departments: a die cutting room with heat treating section, forge shop, machine shop, galvanizing department, and power house. Raw materials for Laughlin products are rods of ordinary forging steel. These are cut to size, heated in fourteen



oil-fired furnaces, then shaped between dies in ten board-type drop hammers, the largest of these having a two-ton capacity. From the hammers, products are trimmed of excess metal, tumbled or wheelabrated to smooth them, then threaded, tapped or otherwise finished in the machine shop. Some then go on to a hot-dip galvanizing tank.

The present president and general manager of the Thomas Laughlin Company, Donald Stuart Laughlin, was born in Portland, May 20, 1898, son of the late Alexander Thomas and Helen (Emery) Laughlin. Alexander Thomas Laughlin died in 1935, and his wife, a native of Portland, survived him by a few years, passing away in 1940.

Educated in the local schools, Donald S. Laughlin graduated from Portland High School, then entered the University of Maine, where he graduated with the class of 1916. During the succeeding two years he took special courses at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, and in 1922 returned to Portland to associate himself with the Thomas Laughlin Company.

First employed in the capacity of machinist, he learned through actual experience the basic work of the business, advanced up through the shop, became foreman in various departments, then familiarized himself with the sales field. He became assistant manager, was made general manager in 1934, and assumed the presidency of the company on the death of his father in 1935. His father, Alexander Thomas, in addition to having been president of the Thomas Laughlin Company, was president of the Milliken, Tomlinson Company of Portland, a wholesale grocery business. A native of Robbinston, Maine, he came to Portland in early youth, and headed the Milliken,

Tomlinson Company for about fifty years.

Donald S. Laughlin has assumed a role of leadership in civic and social affairs of Portland, as appropriate to his position as a large industrialist. He is a member of the Maine Port Authority, and is active in the councils of the Republican party in his state. He is a member of the Ancient Landmark Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and holds membership in the Cumberland Club and the Portland Country Club. In religious denomination, Mr. Laughlin is a Congregationalist, and attends the State Street Church.

On March 30, 1927, Donald S. Laughlin married Mary Elizabeth Phenix of Portland, daughter of A. S. and Angela (Stetson) Phenix. Mr. and Mrs. Laughlin have two children: 1. Donald Stuart, Jr., born in Portland September 20, 1930, now attending Dublin School in Dublin, New Hampshire. 2. Paul Stetson, born in Portland December 20, 1935. He is attending Eaglebrook School, in South Deerfield, Massachusetts. Mrs. Laughlin is a graduate of Dana Hall in Wellesley, Massachusetts, and of Smith College, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1924.

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#### **FITZ GERALD, The Very Reverend William Edmund, S.J.**

The work of the Very Reverend W. Edmund FitzGerald has extended into many branches of Roman Catholic activity. His present position being that of dean of studies at Fairfield University, Fairfield, Connecticut, he was until recently rector of the new Jesuit foundation in Maine, Saint Ignatius residence, and principal of Cheverus High School in Portland.

Father FitzGerald was born October 16, 1901, in Providence, Rhode Island, son of

Edward and Margaret (McLaughlin) FitzGerald. His father, a native of Potsdam, New York, was for more than forty years a superintendent with the Rhode Island Street Railway Company. The mother was born in Bath, New Brunswick, and after graduation from the Normal School at Fredericton, New Brunswick, she taught school in that Canadian Province before coming to Providence, Rhode Island. They became the parents of five children: Father FitzGerald, and two brothers and two sisters. Both brothers are also Jesuit priests.

The elder, the Reverend Leo E. FitzGerald, S.J., is professor of French and English at Holy Cross College, Worcester, Massachusetts. The younger, the Reverend James E. FitzGerald, S.J., is dean of studies at Holy Cross College. Sister Norberta, the elder of his two sisters, is a member of the Order of Mercy in Maine, and of the faculty of St. Joseph's College, Portland. The younger sister, Kathleen A. FitzGerald, is a teacher in the Ralph Barton Perry Junior High School, Providence.

Father FitzGerald received his early education at St. Mary's Parochial School and La Salle Academy, Providence. In 1918 and 1919 he taught a first-year high school class at La Salle Academy. In 1919 he entered the Jesuit Order at Yonkers, New York. After completing literary studies at St. Andrew-on-Hudson, Poughkeepsie, New York, and philosophical studies at Weston College, Weston, Massachusetts, he received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Boston College, in 1925, and the Master of Arts degree in 1926. He was instructor in Latin and English at Boston College from 1926 to 1929. He went to France in 1929 for his theological studies and received the degree of Licentiate in Sacred Theolo-

gy at the Université Pontificale de l'Immaculée Conception, Lyons, and the Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1933. From 1933 to 1937 he carried on research work in classical languages and comparative religion at the University of Paris and the University of Berlin. Father FitzGerald was ordained to the Sub-diaconate and the Diaconate Orders by Cardinal Maurin at Lyons in 1932, and to the priesthood in the same year by Archbishop Sigismond Waitz, at Innsbruck, Austria. In 1937 he returned to Boston College as associate professor of classical languages. In 1938 he completed a year of ascetical theology at St. Robert's Hall, Pomfret, Connecticut, and returned to Boston College as professor of classical languages. From 1940 to 1942 he was chairman of the department of classical languages in the Graduate School of Boston College. In 1942 he came to Portland as rector of the new Jesuit foundation in Maine, St. Ignatius Residence, and as principal of Cheverus High School. In November, 1948, Father FitzGerald was succeeded by the Very Rev. Robert A. Hewitt, S.J. He returned to the Provincial Residence in Boston and in July, 1949 was appointed dean of studies at Fairfield University, Fairfield, Connecticut.

St. Ignatius Residence, situated on Danforth Street, Portland, is the residence of the Jesuit Community, comprising nineteen members of the Society of Jesus. This is the first permanent foundation of the Jesuit Order in Maine since the time of the Reverend John Bapst, S.J., a Swiss Jesuit, who worked among the Indian Missions at Old Town and along the Maine coast in the early part of the nineteenth century, and built St. John's Church, in Bangor.

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Gerald traveled widely throughout the major countries of Europe, visiting the leading university centers of Heidelberg, Freiburg, Munich, Vienna, Prague, Berlin and London. He lived for a time in Italy and Germany under Mussolini and Hitler. In 1947 he returned to Europe and traveled extensively through England, Belgium, France, Switzerland and Italy. In this country, he has traveled through the southern, western and central states. He is a member of the National Education Association, the National Catholic Education Association, the New England Classical Association, and the Société des Etudes Latines of France.

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**HEWITT, The Very Rev. Robert A., S.J.**

The Very Rev. Robert A. Hewitt, S.J., the present rector of Cheverus High School in Portland and Superior of the Jesuit Residence in Maine, is a native of Watertown, Massachusetts.

Father Hewitt graduated from the Boston College High School, to which he was to return in later years in the capacity of rector. He entered the Society of Jesus in 1914 at Poughkeepsie, New York. He then studied at Woodstock College, in Maryland, where he completed his philosophical and theological work, and he was ordained to the priesthood at Weston College. Father Hewitt then went abroad to study at the Gregorian University in Rome, and in 1932 he took his doctorate in sacred theology at this institution. From 1932 to 1937 Father Hewitt was professor of moral theology at Weston College. In 1937 he became rector of Boston College High School, a post he filled for six years. While in Boston, Father Hewitt was also director of the Alumni Sodality of the Boston College High School, a group

composed of business and professional men of the metropolitan Boston area.

Father Hewitt was named rector of Cheverus High School in Portland and Superior of the Jesuit Residence in Maine by the Very Rev. General of the Society of Jesus in Rome, succeeding the Very Rev. W. Edmund FitzGerald. He had given the commencement address to graduates of Cheverus and Cathedral High Schools in Portland two years before being appointed to this post. Father Hewitt is an eloquent speaker on education and social subjects and has lectured to many groups in New England. He has rapidly made a place for himself in Portland, where he has won the respect and friendship of the community as a whole, as well as of the students of Cheverus High School.

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**WATKINS, Melvin H.**

Owner, president, and treasurer of a firm which has prospered and proven itself for over fifty years in Portland, Melvin H. Watkins has been accorded recognition as one of the nation's leading dry cleaners. The firm, E. L. Watkins and Company, cleaners and dyers, was founded by his father in 1889, and Melvin H. Watkins' leadership through its more recent years has been largely responsible for bringing it to its present position as one of the outstanding dry cleaners in the country.

He was born in Portland, September 19, 1898, son of E. L. and Anna G. (Hawkes) Watkins, and grandson of Orin Watkins, of South Casco, who was a clothing manufacturer. Melvin H. Watkins attended the public schools of Portland, and after graduation from Deering High School enrolled at the University of Maine. He later attended Boston University. While a student at Boston, Mr.



Watkins enlisted for service in World War I, but hostilities ceased before he had completed boot training. After discharge from the service, he continued his education at the Wharton School of Finance of the University of Pennsylvania, graduating from that institution in 1922.

He then joined his father in the E. L. Watkins Company, which was then located in a leased building at Morrills Corner. He had had intermittent experience with the company since the age of ten, making deliveries, and working at the plant during vacations. He now became acquainted with the management aspects, and also gained a thorough grounding in the operations of each department, all of which has given him an understanding of the problems of the employee as well as those of the employer.

As has been indicated, the company has been in existence since 1889, and was founded by Mr. Watkins' father, E. L. Watkins, when the latter was twenty-one years of age. The elder Mr. Watkins had learned the clothing manufacturing trade from his own father, and in starting this company originally had the intention of manufacturing certain types of men's garments. A graduate of a course at Shaw's Business College, he had been unable to find a position paying anything more than three dollars per week, until he learned of a coat shop in Portland which needed a skillful buttonhole maker. He answered the requirements for the position, and the elderly manager of the plant found he could repose considerable trust in the young man's sense of responsibility; yet the business was too moribund to fully recover, and after two years E. L. Watkins was looking for another connection. At Morrill's Corner he leased a store owned by a Captain Morgan, despite the gruff captain's prediction that

the young entrepreneur "wouldn't last a year." With capital of three hundred dollars he established, on January 1, 1889, a coat-making business giving employment to eight persons. It was typical of the small shops to be found in many towns throughout Maine since the time of the Civil War, each shop generally specializing in one type of ready-to-wear garment. The lower cost of labor in the larger cities gradually brought an end to this system.

Mr. Watkins developed during these years an interest in a leather de-greasing plant in Portland which used a solvent applicable also to the dry cleaning of clothing. Initially he did the finishing for the dry cleaner, but ultimately bought his dry cleaning department from him, and for nearly a decade conducted both businesses. It was clear to him which way the industrial wind was blowing: the manufacturing business declined at about the same rate that the dry cleaning business increased. The changeover was gradual, Mr. Watkins transferring employees from the manufacturing to the dry cleaning department. As a final step in this direction, he bought out his leading competitor in the business. He realized the need for a call and delivery service; and soon the old horse Dick, the wagon bearing the sign "Watkins' Hot Naphtha Works," and its driver Hughey Conway became a familiar sight on the streets of Portland. They were supplanted in 1909 by the first automobile delivery truck, which through the years has given way to a fleet of two dozen sleek trucks, which in their pickup and delivery service cover the highways from Ogunquit to Rangeley, and from Damariscotta on the ocean to communities throughout central New Hampshire. This growth in trade area of course entailed expansion in the structure



of the business. A new cleaning and dyeing plant was erected at the corner of Lincoln Street and Forest Avenue in 1924, and proceeded to do the largest volume of business in its field, east of Boston. The continually growing territory to the north which the plant's operations were covering made it expedient to erect another plant at Auburn. Opened in March, 1938, it is managed by Arthur S. Cummings, who is also its treasurer. The Portland plant was expanded the same year.

In 1941, two years after celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the company's operations, the founder, E. L. Watkins died. His enterprise has continued its successful growth and now employs two hundred persons. The three-story plant on Forest Avenue is alive with activity; and in 1945 a plant devoted to the cleaning of household furnishings such as rugs and furniture was opened at 38 Pearl Street.

Melvin H. Watkins is an active member and an officer of the Varsity Conference of Cleaners, a national organization of leading cleaners, and of the Sanitone Licensees of New England and the National Institute of Cleaners and Dyers. He has always been interested in civic affairs, and is a member of the Portland Credit Men's Association, of which he was president for a number of years. He is also secretary of the Woodfords Improvement Association. His counsel is highly respected in business matters, and he has become a prominent figure in banking, director of the Cumberland Savings and Loan Association and the First Industrial Bank of Maine. Fraternally, Mr. Watkins is a member of Deering Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, has attained the Thirty-second degree, and is a member of Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of No-

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#### **TAYLOR, Stewart M.**

Active in many business enterprises in Maine, Stewart M. Taylor is president and general manager of the Hannaford Brothers Company, operators of the Red and White stores, a nationally known concern. He also has other commercial interests, and is widely known for his contribution to the business life of this region.

Mr. Taylor was born on a farm at Cape Elizabeth, Cumberland County, April 23, 1884, son of John M. and Isabella F. (McLiesh) Taylor. For many years his father conducted a small farm on Cape Elizabeth, also serving for a considerable period as steamboat inspector for the State of Maine.

Attending public schools in South Portland, Stewart M. Taylor completed his studies through the high school grades. For several years he was employed on the homestead farm of his family before assuming his duties with the Hannaford Brothers Company. In 1906 he began his work with them as a salesman in the vicinity of Portland and Cumberland counties. Advancing steadily in his work, he was eventually made vice president of the company. Remaining with this organization for a number of years, Mr. Taylor purchased in 1937, the interest of Edward W. Hannaford, at that time president of the com-

pany. Since that time, he has continued in the dual role of president and general manager. The Hannaford Brothers Company was originally established in Portland in 1884 by Arthur M. Hannaford. Soon afterward a brother, Howard C. Hannaford, became associated with the firm which was thereafter called Hannaford Brothers Company. Following Arthur Hannaford's resignation, a third brother, Edward W. Hannaford, became president, while Howard C. Hannaford assumed the vice presidency. All three of the Hannaford brothers are now deceased. Under the present management of Stewart M. Taylor as president and general manager, the Hannaford Brothers Company has made remarkable headway and has adapted its policies to modern business conditions and needs.

A keen interest in the affairs of his community and district has prompted Mr. Taylor to actively participate in many Maine organizations and their work. He is a director of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce and is a finance committeeman and past director of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. He belongs also to the Portland Club, the Lions Club, and Hiram Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in South Portland. Mr. Taylor has been active in other branches of masonry, being affiliated with Portland Commandery of Knights Templar and Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in Lewiston. He attends the Baptist Church.

Stewart M. Taylor married in 1914, at Cape Elizabeth, Clydie M. Dyer, who died in 1929. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Stewart G., born in November, 1919, graduated from Cape Elizabeth High School, served three and a half years with the Army Air Corps

in World War II. He is now associated with his father, is married, and has one daughter, Glenda. 2. Florence C., born in July, 1922, graduated from Cape Elizabeth High School in 1938, received her Bachelor of Arts degree at Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts, in 1942. She became the wife of John Petrlik, of Maryland, an army veteran of World War II. They have one son, John Stewart Taylor, born in 1947.

Stewart M. Taylor married (second) Jennie M. Bryant of South Portland.

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### **MOTZ, Rolf B.**

For many years engaged in educational work, Rolf B. Motz lately was superintendent of schools of School Union No. 13, embracing the town of Cumberland, the town of North Yarmouth, and the town of Falmouth.

Mr. Motz was born June 19, at Dennysville, Maine, son of Captain Austin and Lulu (Sylvia) Motz. His father was a sea captain until his death in 1915. His mother passed away in 1939. Both were natives of Dennysville.

Public schools of Dennysville provided the early formal education of Rolf B. Motz, who was graduated from high school in 1921, then entered Washington State Normal School, completing his studies there in 1923. Before returning to the class room for further studies of his own, Mr. Motz had several years of practical experience in teaching. Between 1923 and 1926, he was a member of the faculty of the Junior High School of Southwest Harbor, Maine. In 1926 he became principal of Mount Desert High School in Mount Desert, Maine. After he had been in this position for a time, Mr. Motz decided to take further studies in his specialty, and in 1937 he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Educa-







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tion at the University of Maine. Upon completing his studies there, he returned to his duties as principal of Mount Desert High School, so continuing until 1942. It was in that year that he became superintendent of schools of School Union No. 13, consisting of the schools of the townships of Cumberland, North Yarmouth, and Falmouth. In 1949 he was succeeded in this office by William H. Soule (q. v.).

In addition to his practical teaching and school administrative work, Mr. Motz takes a lively interest in general educational affairs and in the civic life of his community and state. He was elected president of the Cumberland County Teachers' Association for the 1948-1949 term, and is a member of the National Education Association and the Maine Superintendents' Association. Mr. Motz is also active in the Portland Rotary Club and the Falmouth Club. In his spare time, he is very fond of boating and fishing. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational Church.

Rolf B. Motz married, March 29, 1924, at Edmunds, Maine, Doris Kelley, who now teaches Latin at the Falmouth High School. She is a graduate of Dennysville High School, and the Washington State Normal School, where she finished her studies in 1923, as well as of the University of Maine, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education in 1937. Her parents, Irving and Mildred (Hallowell) Kelley, were born in Lubec and Dennysville respectively.

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#### **SOULE, William H.**

With a considerable experience in educational administration, William H. Soule came to Falmouth in 1949 to assume the responsibilities of superintendent of School Union No. 13. This school union

embraces the townships of Falmouth, Cumberland and North Yarmouth. Mr. Soule brings to the service of this district a proven administrative ability, and recognition in the field of sports.

Born in 1914, Mr. Soule is a native of the state of Maine, and is a son of A. Morton G. Soule and Mary (Hilton) Soule. He received his early education in the schools of the capital city of Augusta, after which he attended Bowdoin College, graduating in 1936. At Bates College, he subsequently pursued courses leading to the Master's degree.

Mr. Soule's first teaching appointment was as a member of the faculty of Gould Academy. He thereafter taught at Foxcroft Academy, Bangor High School, and Lawrence High School; and at the termination of these brief appointments, accepted his first position in educational administration: that of superintendent of School Union No. 36, at Phillips. In 1949 he was selected to succeed Rolf Motz (q. v.) as superintendent of School Union No. 13.

A sports enthusiast, Mr. Soule has himself participated in several major sports, and the athletic program is expected to receive new impetus during his superintendency. His thorough background in teaching and administration assures successful guidance of the scholastic curriculum.

William H. Soule is married to the former June Good of South Portland, and they are the parents of three children.

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#### **BOONE, Eugene A.**

Operating Boone's Restaurant, one of Portland's most distinguished eating houses, Eugene A. Boone has made a specialty of sea food. His shore dinners have made this establishment on picturesque Custom House Wharf a mecca



for lovers of good food over a period now approaching a half century.

Mr. Boone was born September 3, 1902, in Portland, Maine, son of the late Alexander and Lettie (Akley) Boone and member of a pioneer Maine family. The Akleys were stove manufacturers.

Portland schools provided Eugene A. Boone's early formal education, and he was graduated from Portland High School. When he was only six years of age his father started Boone's Restaurant, and Eugene A. Boone became associated with it as soon as he completed his schooling. Both father and son have done everything in their power to make Boone's the excellent eating place that it is, and customers from far and near extend high praise to the establishment for its lobster dinners. Maine lobsters, only a few minutes from storage "cars" in the briny deep nearby, are the piece de resistance and are served in sufficient variety to appease the appetite of the most particular gourmet.

For forty-one years Boone's has been in the same location on Custom House Wharf in Portland, at the head of Casco Bay, which world travelers have compared to the beauty of the Bay of Naples, Italy. It enjoys the reputation of being one of the finest restaurants in all New England and, of course, stands high on the recommended list of Duncan Hines. A recently installed stainless steel kitchen is an inspection must for visiting restaurateurs and hotel men. All visitors, as a matter of fact, are cordially invited to inspect "the back of the house."

Atmosphere is both figurative and literal, since the bracing salt air of Casco Bay always piques the appetite. The interior of Boone's is finished in Maine knotty pine panelling and chrome hardware, while the red and white checked

table cloths, which are an integral feature of the restaurant's inviting appearance, further add to the sound impression that here is a place to enjoy some really excellent eating.

Famous Maine foods, other than lobster, are also featured, and Boone's is especially proud of its home-cooked pastries. Each day of the week, except Monday when Boone's is closed, there is a special Maine feature dish suggested by one of the customers. This is given appropriate advertising in the local newspapers, including the name of the person whose suggestion is chosen and who becomes a "guest of the house" for that day.

"Gene" Boone, second generation in the business, makes a genial host and has become known to thousands of residents and visitors alike. Some of his little touches in the business of serving food are being widely copied throughout Maine and New England. "Gene" is a personal friend of many in the Ford Family, all of whom always include a stop at Boone's when in the vicinity of Portland.

Mr. Boone owns and operates his own two-hundred acre farm at Naples, Maine, where he raises and processes all the vegetables and poultry for the restaurant, as well as the pork which goes into Boone's dishes. On this farm he keeps a small herd of registered Jersey cattle. Many patrons have been fascinated by the booklet on how "To Best Enjoy Your New England Shore Dinner," copyright by Arlyn E. Barnard of Portland, which Boone's distributes to interested customers.

Along with his other undertakings, Mr. Boone holds memberships in the National Restaurant and Hotel Association and the Maine Publicity Bureau. In the Ancient



Free and Accepted Masons he is affiliated with Hiram Lodge No. 180 in South Portland. His major recreational interest is his farm.

A son, Richard Akley Boone, born January 11, 1936, attends school in South Portland.

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**WEYMOUTH, Raymond Eugene, M.D.**

Among Maine's outstanding surgeons is Dr. Raymond Eugene Weymouth, one of the senior surgeons of Mount Desert Island Hospital. Dr. Weymouth was born January 6, 1903, at Millinocket, the son of Dr. Frank Davis and Lottie (Heal) Weymouth. Dr. Frank Davis Weymouth is a practicing physician at Brewer. Mrs. Lottie (Heal) Weymouth died in December, 1938.

Dr. Weymouth attended the Charleston, Maine, elementary schools and Higgins' Classical Institute, from which he graduated in 1920. He then became a student at Colby College, and graduated from this institution in 1925 with the degree of Bachelor of Science. For four years he taught in Maine preparatory and high schools, and from January, 1925 to September, 1930 he was a member of the Maine State Police Force, assigned to duty as a highway patrolman for four months of each summer. He then took his medical training at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, graduating in 1932 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. From July 1, 1932, to July 1, 1933 he interned at the Eastern Maine General Hospital of Bangor, and on July 11, 1933 began to practice medicine and surgery in Bar Harbor. Dr. Weymouth is now one of the senior surgeons at Mount Desert Island Hospital. During World War II, Dr. Weymouth served in the United States Army Air Force, Medical Corps, and spent sixteen months in the Pacific

Theater of Operations, in the Solomon Islands and New Guinea, holding the rank of major. He was retired to inactive service on November 11, 1945, and resigned his commission on November 16, 1948.

Dr. Weymouth is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a Fellow of the International Academy of Medicine, and he belongs to the Hancock Medical Association, the Maine Medical Association and the American Medical Association, and is a charter member of the Bangor Medical Club. He formerly served on the board of directors of the First National Bank of Bar Harbor. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Royal Arch Masons, the Knights Templar, and Anah Temple, of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and he belongs to Alpha Omega Alpha, honor society in medicine, and to Theta Kappa Psi, professional, and Delta Upsilon, college, fraternities. Dr. Weymouth is a member of the Bar Harbor Club and of the Mount Desert Island Fish and Game Association. He has his own greenhouse for flowers and vegetables, and a complete power shop for woodworking, which is one of his hobbies, along with gardening, hunting, and fishing.

On July 30, 1945, at Bar Harbor, Dr. Raymond Eugene Weymouth was married to Alma Warren Larkin, the daughter of Lowell and Susan Warren. Dr. Weymouth has two stepdaughters, Carolyn, born October 7, 1937, and Barbara Jean Larkin, born March 30, 1943; and a son, Raymond Eugene Weymouth, Jr., born October 30, 1946.

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**POOLE, Parker**

In southwestern Maine, Parker Poole is

recognized as a leader in commercial, civic, and social affairs. He is president and treasurer of the W. H. Shurtleff Company of Portland, importers and dealers in salt, and is president of Portland's famed Union Wharf Corporation. The salt company, one of the largest in its field, maintains a branch at Bangor.

Born at Westbrook, then called Sacarappa, on October 11, 1891, Parker Poole is the son of William W. and Susan (Jackson) Poole. Mr. Poole was graduated from Phillips Andover Academy in 1914 and then went to Dartmouth College, where he became a member of the class of 1918. World War I intervened, however, and on May 11, 1917, less than a month after the United States had become a belligerent in that conflict, Mr. Poole enlisted in the Navy. At first a seaman first class, he was subsequently enrolled at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, and on completion of the accelerated wartime course was commissioned an ensign.

After the war, Mr. Poole was associated with the Haskell Silk Company of Westbrook. His father was president of this concern at the time. In 1923 Mr. Poole left the silk organization to join his father-in-law, William Harry Shurtleff, in the management of the W. H. Shurtleff Company at Portland. Ten years later he became president and treasurer of the company, the offices he occupies today. The firm's head office is at 2½ Union Wharf, Portland, and it is affiliated with the Salt Distribution Association of America, Inc. Mr. Poole is a trustee of the Portland Savings Bank and a director of the Canal National Bank of Portland. He is a member of the Rotary Club of Portland, the Cumberland Club, and the Portland Country Club, and worships at the State Street Con-

gregational Church, in Portland. His fraternity is Theta Delta Chi.

Mr. Poole and Mr. Shurtleff's daughter, Marjorie Clark Shurtleff, were married in Portland on June 18, 1922. Mrs. Poole's mother was the former Elizabeth Milliken. Mrs. Poole is a graduate of Wellesley College, class of 1920. There are two sons: William W. Poole, born on February 10, 1923, and Parker Poole, Jr., born on April 7, 1926. William W. Poole is a graduate of Kimball Union Academy at Meriden, New Hampshire, and was a student at Dartmouth when he entered the United States Army for World War II service. A private in General Patton's Third Army, he was with the Combat Engineers in the European Theater of Operations. After the war he returned to Dartmouth and in 1946 was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. At the college he was elected to Theta Delta Chi fraternity. He is now associated with his father in business. Parker Poole, Jr., who is a graduate of Kimball Union Academy, entered Middlebury College, class of 1951. He also served in World War II; he became a corporal in the Second Division of the United States Marines and was in the Pacific Theater of Operations. The Poole family home is at 331 Spring Street, Portland.

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#### **COUSENS, Lyman A., Jr.**

The cause of animal protection has advanced considerably in the State of Maine under the leadership of Lyman A. Cousens, Jr., of Portland. Mr. Cousens is a prominent figure in such organizations as the Maine State Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the Animal Refuge League of Portland. In the business world he is vice president and treasurer of Long, Libby and Han-







THOMAS JAMES FROTHINGHAM

son Company, the wholesale dry goods firm of Portland, and an officer in various financial institutions as well as a textile concern. He is also prominent in the Congregational Church.

Mr. Cousens was born in Portland on March 1, 1909, son of the late Lyman A. and Gertrude M. (Cortland) Cousens. The father, who was born on March 3, 1880, in Portland, was a director of Long, Libby and Hanson, the Portland Savings Bank, the Dana-Warp Mills of Westbrook, the Provident Loan Company of Portland and the Portland Widows' Wood Society. He was also on the board of governors of Bowdoin College. Mrs. Gertrude Cousens was also born in Portland, where she still makes her home. Her husband died on June 15, 1941.

Lyman A. Cousens, Jr., attended Hebron Academy. In 1931 he was graduated from Bowdoin College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and since that year has been associated with Long, Libby and Hanson Company. He became assistant treasurer in 1941, treasurer in 1946, and vice president and treasurer in 1948. The firm was established in December, 1925. Its president today is Charles B. Libby, while Helen M. Libby is assistant treasurer and secretary. The company is the wholesale distributor of such commodities as hosiery, underwear, and general dry goods. Its headquarters are at 157-161 Middle Street, Portland, and it maintains a branch in the dry goods wholesaling and manufacturing district of New York City, at 56 Worth Street. Besides his offices in this concern, Mr. Cousens is a trustee of the Portland Savings Bank, a director of the Dana-Warp Mills of Westbrook, and director and president of the Provident Loan Company of Portland.

In his community activities, Mr. Cou-

sens has become an outstanding citizen. He is a director of the Animal Refuge League and the Portland Widows' Wood Society, and director and treasurer of the Maine State Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. In his church, the State Street Congregational of Portland, Mr. Cousens is assistant clerk and a member of the prudential committee. In World War II, Mr. Cousens served as a lieutenant senior grade in the United States Navy. He was in the service from April, 1943, to December, 1945, and for a good deal of that time was in the Pacific Theater of Operations, particularly Australia. His favorite recreations are boating and golf.

Mr. Cousens married Helen E. Findlay in Portland on April 18, 1936. Mrs. Cousens, born in New York City, is the daughter of William and May A. (Tappan) Findlay. She and Mr. Cousens have three children, all natives of Portland: 1. Lyman A., III, born on February 17, 1938. 2. William F., born on June 6, 1940. 3. Barbara H., born on September 20, 1942. The family home is at Cape Elizabeth, where the children attend school.

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#### **FROTHINGHAM, William Alfred**

As operator of the Globe Laundry, Inc., William Alfred Frothingham occupies a position of distinction in Portland business life.

Mr. Frothingham was born January 1, 1891, in Portland, Maine, son of Thomas James and Angie Barstow (Penell) Frothingham. His father, born July 2, 1861, died August 1, 1945, was founder of the Globe Laundry. The mother was born September 22, 1861, and died December 27, 1935. Frothingham Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars takes its name from another member of this family—William A. Frothingham's brother Philip



Bernard Frothingham, who was born August 8, 1894, and died in France on September 14, 1918, while in service in World War I, and whose remains were brought back to Portland for burial here October 31, 1920.

The schools of Portland provided William Alfred Frothingham's early education through the high school grades. In 1915 he was graduated from the Lowell Textile School, Lowell, Massachusetts. In that year he became associated with his father in the conduct of the Globe Laundry, which the elder Mr. Frothingham had operated since 1887. The father had been a charter member of the Laundrymen's National Association, now known as the American Institute of Laundering, of Joliet, Illinois. Assuming ever greater responsibility in the management of the Globe Laundry, William A. Frothingham became a member of the firm in 1917. It was incorporated in 1920, with the father as president and treasurer and William A. Frothingham as vice president. At the death of the elder Mr. Frothingham, in 1945, William A. Frothingham acceded to the presidency and his brother Thomas W. Frothingham (q. v.), who had been associated with the firm since 1915, became treasurer. Clark D. Chapman serves as clerk of the organization. The Frothinghams have long been active in Portland affairs, and William A. Frothingham is a member of the First Universalist Church.

On November 28, 1916, in Medford, Massachusetts, William A. Frothingham married Mildred Christine Peabody, born December 25, 1885, died September 9, 1946, daughter of Charles and Harriet (Cole) Peabody. Mr. and Mrs. Frothingham became the parents of a son, Philip Thomas Frothingham, born July 28, 1922, graduated from Deering High School and

Portland Junior College, although he left Portland Junior College to join the Merchant Marine as a lieutenant senior grade, during World War II. After serving throughout that war, he returned to Portland and associated himself with his father as office manager of the Globe Laundry. He married Suzette Le Bourdais, of East Biddeford, Maine.

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#### **FROTHINGHAM, Thomas Warren**

Engaged in the laundry business in association with the Globe Laundry since 1915, Thomas Warren Frothingham is treasurer of this company, founded by his father many years ago.

Born March 25, 1892, in Portland, Mr. Frothingham is a son of Thomas James and Angie Barstow (Penell) Frothingham, and brother of William Alfred Frothingham (q. v.). Attending Portland schools, Thomas Warren Frothingham was graduated from high school here in 1913 and from the University of Maine in 1917. While still a university student, he became associated with the Globe Laundry in 1915. He became treasurer of the company in 1945, following the death of his father.

The Globe Laundry is one of the oldest institutions of its kind in Portland, having been founded in 1887, by Mr. Frothingham's father, the late Thomas James Frothingham, who was not only one of this city's leading business men, but also a charter member of the Laundrymen's National Association, now known as the American Institute of Laundering, of Joliet, Illinois. Through his years with the Globe Laundry, Thomas Warren Frothingham has made a substantial contribution to its progress and development. He also takes a lively interest in Portland affairs as a member of Ancient Landmarks Lodge of the Free



and Accepted Masons and of the First Universalist Church.

Thomas Warren Frothingham married, December 27, 1917, in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, Margaret Petersen, daughter of Soren and Jenny Petersen. They became the parents of a son, Thomas James Frothingham, born September 19, 1924, graduated from Deering High School, Portland, then enlisted in the United States Navy for service as a signalman, first class, during World War II. He is now associated with his father as plant superintendent of the Globe Laundry. Thomas James Frothingham married Frances Alberta Weed, of Portland, and they became the parents of one child, Karen Ann Frothingham.

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#### **LEWIS, Henry**

An investment banker, Henry Lewis of Portland is also identified with savings banks and public utilities. He is a prominent citizen of Portland and known throughout Maine. As an investment banker he is president of Charles H. Gilman and Company of Portland.

Born in Gardiner, Maine, on November 20, 1881, Henry Lewis is the son of Weston and Eleanor W. (Partridge) Lewis. Both his parents were also natives of Gardiner. The father preceded the son in the banking business. Henry Lewis was educated at St. Mark's School of Southboro, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1901, and at Bowdoin College, which awarded him the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1905. Since 1905 he has been an investment banker in Portland. He is also president of the Calais Water Company of Calais, Maine, and is a member of the board of trustees of the Portland Savings Bank.

Mr. Lewis is active in the Maine Historical Society, in the Cumberland Club

of Portland, and the Portland Country Club. He belongs to the Gardiner Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; St. Albans Commandery, Knights Templar, at Portland; and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Lewiston. His church is the Episcopal.

On August 27, 1910, at Exeter, New Hampshire, Mr. Lewis married Ella W. Burlingame, the daughter of William and Harriet G. Burlingame. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis are the parents of two sons: Weston Lewis, born in Portland on August 27, 1913, and William B. Lewis, born in Portland on February 19, 1919. Both sons are graduates of St. Mark's School at Southboro. Weston Lewis, who served with the United States Army in World War II, holds a bachelor's degree from Bowdoin College, while William B. Lewis holds a similar degree from Yale University. Mr. Lewis' home is at 3 Storer Street, Portland. The address of Charles H. Gilman and Company is 186 Middle Street, Portland.

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#### **AIKINS, Frederick H.**

The superintendent of schools in the district identified as Union No. 15, comprising the towns of Casco, Gray, new Gloucester, Raymond, and Windham, is known not only in southwestern Maine but also throughout New England. Since 1915 Frederick H. Aikins has been an educator and though his career has been largely confined to his native Maine he has also served in the school systems of Rhode Island and Vermont. He has been superintendent of the five-town union district since 1926, with headquarters in the town hall at South Windham. A community-minded citizen, Mr. Aikins has not limited his interests to education, but has taken a leading part in civic af-

fairs at Windham. He has, of course, also been a prominent figure in educational organizations and has headed at least two of them.

Born at Windham Hall, town of Windham, on April 28, 1895, Mr. Aikins is the son of the late Reverend James D. and Cora (Harlow) Aikins. His father was a minister of the Congregational Church. The educator is a graduate of the Windham High School. In 1917 he took his degree of Bachelor of Science at the University of Maine, Orono, and twenty years later was awarded the degree of Master of Education at Bates College, Lewiston. Long before obtaining his bachelor's degree, Mr. Aikins was already a teacher, for he had begun in the Spring of 1915 as a teacher of agriculture in his old Alma Mater, Windham High School.

After his graduation from the State university, Mr. Aikins accepted the post of teacher of science in the Bellows Falls High School at Bellows Falls, Vermont. Here he remained until 1918, when, the United States having entered World War I, he became a soldier. He rose to a corporal in the army and served until 1919. Upon his return to civilian life Mr. Aikins became principal of the Bowdoinham High School at Bowdoinham. The following year he went down to Rhode Island and took the post of teacher of science, and later agriculture, at the East Providence High School. There he remained until 1923, when he joined the faculty of the Wakefield High School, also as agriculture instructor and teacher trainer. In October, 1926, Mr. Aikins returned to Maine to assume his present duties as superintendent of schools for Union No. 15, and he has since devoted himself to the development of this system. His reputation among educators, as well as among the public at large is evi-

dence to how successful he has been.

Mr. Aikins has been president of the Cumberland County Teachers Association and the Southwestern Maine Superintendents' Round Table. He is also active in the American Association of School Administrators, the Maine Superintendents' Association and the National Education Association. He is also a past president of the Kiwanis Club of Windham and is active in the Windham Grange and the American Legion. With his family, he worships in the First Congregational Church of Windham. His home is at North Windham.

Mr. Aikins married Helen G. Walton, the daughter of James P. and Jessie (Thompson) Walton, at Providence, Rhode Island, on February 22, 1918. Mrs. Aikins is a member of the Windham Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. There are three children: 1. Harold Aikins, born in Providence on September 29, 1919. 2. James Frederick Aikins, born in Cranston, Rhode Island, on September 20, 1923. 3. Robert P. Aikins, born at Westbrook, Maine, on December 17, 1932. Harold Aikins, a graduate of Windham High School, received the degree of Bachelor of Science from Gorham State Teachers College and Master of Arts from Ohio State University. He is now on the faculty of Ball State Teachers College at Muncie, Indiana. In World War II, he was a staff sergeant with the United States Army Air Forces, serving in China. James F. Aikins is a graduate of Windham High School and the University of Maine. In the war he was also with the Air Forces, serving in the Pacific as a second lieutenant. He is now located at Rochester, New York, with the Eastman Kodak Company. The youngest son, Robert, is (1949) a student at Windham High School.







*Edward B. Mason.*

**GARDNER, Virgil Woodrow Wilson**

After service with funeral homes in Augusta, Hallowell, Gardiner and Houlton, Virgil Woodrow Wilson Gardner is now owner and operator of the Frye and Hanscom Funeral Home at Machias. He is active in Masonic, Chamber of Commerce and other civic work and is chairman of the Advance Committee of Boy Scouts.

Mr. Gardner was born at St. George, Maine, on October 25, 1910, the son of George G. and Beatrice (Hockins) Gardner. His father, who died on July 6, 1934, was with the United States Post Office Department. The family's ancestry is English. Virgil Gardner was educated in the Camden High School and at the New England Institute of Anatomy and Embalming. He was graduated from the latter in 1934 and passed the Maine State Board of Examiners' examinations for embalmers in 1935.

Mr. Gardner spent more than nineteen years in association with the various funeral homes in the four Maine communities before establishing himself in his own business in Machias. He was, in succession, with Knowlton and Hewins at Augusta; John Leonard, at Hallowell; Horace Staples, at Gardiner, and the Buzzell Funeral Service, at Houlton. He remained with the last-named institution from March 27, 1940, to February 22, 1949. In February, 1949, Mr. Gardner purchased the Frye and Hanscom Funeral Home, Machias, from Alfred A. Blackwood, and has since operated this institution with increasing success.

He is a member of the Masonic Blue Lodge, the Royal Arch Masons, the Royal and Select Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Lions Club of Harrington and the Retail Board of the Houlton Chamber of Commerce. He

is a Republican, and is an Episcopalian in religious faith.

On April 6, 1948, at Houlton, Mr. Gardner married Louise Anderson Colwell, the daughter of William H. Anderson, who died on January 31, 1938, and Sadie E. Anderson. Mr. Gardner's home and business address is 6 Cooper Street, Machias.

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**MASON, Edward B.**

The Pine Motor Company, located on Forest Avenue in Portland, is one of the largest and most complete automotive agencies in that city, and holds the franchise for the popular Dodge and Plymouth lines of passenger cars, and for Dodge trucks. Its president and treasurer, since June 24, 1949 is Edward B. Mason, who has been associated with the automobile business most of his life.

Born in Newark, New Jersey, July 19, 1895, Mr. Mason is a son of Jacob W. and Hannah E. (Bowman) Mason, his father having been a pioneer in the automobile business in Newark. A native of New Jersey, Jacob W. Mason died in 1941; Mrs. Mason died August 24, 1949. In his native city, Mr. Mason attended the public elementary schools, and graduated from the South Side High School. He then enrolled at Columbia University in New York City. During his course of studies there, the United States became involved in World War I, and Edward B. Mason enlisted in the United States Navy, in which he served as quartermaster.

On resuming civilian life, Mr. Mason associated himself with his father, Jacob Mason, who was one of the pioneers in the automotive field in Newark, having established his agency in 1906. Edward B. Mason first worked in the sales department, and subsequently assumed the re-



sponsibilities of general manager. This advancement was not automatic, and in earning his advanced status he learned much about the operations of the automobile business, knowledge which was to be of inestimable value to him later, in the management of his own business.

He remained in Jacob Mason's organization in Newark until 1937, in which year he became associated with the Chrysler Corporation as district manager for the sale of DeSoto cars in the state of Connecticut. This brought him to New England where he has remained ever since. In 1942 he terminated his connection with Chrysler to perform wartime service for the War Department in administration engineering, then for the War Production Board as a radio production specialist. Throughout the period of this service to the United States Government he remained in Connecticut.

In the winter of 1945 his work for the government completed, Mr. Mason came to Portland to assist in the organization of the Pine Motor Company, and his initial office with the newly formed concern was that of vice president, in which capacity he acted as general manager. He subsequently became president and treasurer, and since June 24, 1949 he and his immediate family have been sole owners.

The Pine Motor Company, in addition to being agent for Dodge and Plymouth passenger cars, and Dodge "Job-rated" Trucks, carries out complete factory-approved service on these and other makes of automobiles. It offers complete lubrication service, washing, painting, repairing, and re-conditioning; testing and lining of brakes, fender and body repair; all electrical service for ignitions, starters, generators, and batteries; and sales and service of tires and tubes.

Located at 517 Forest Avenue, the Pine Motor Company is growing rapidly in volume of trade and in favor with the public.

Since taking up residence in Maine, Mr. Mason has become active in the Maine Publicity Bureau; and he is also a member of the United States Power Squadron, United States Coast Guard Auxiliary. He holds high degrees in the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, is a member of Franklin Lodge No. 10, in Irvington, New Jersey and the Valley of Jersey City Consistory, the Mount Sinai Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons at Portland, and the Portland Commandery of the Knights Templar. He is a life member of the consistory mentioned above, and of Salaam Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Newark. Mr. Mason belongs also to the Royal Order of Jesters, Newark Consistory. His local Shrine affiliation is with Kora Temple.

Mr. Mason's favorite recreations are of the outdoor sort, and he enjoys golf, hunting and fishing, and yachting. In the latter pastime he enjoys membership in the Portland Yacht Club. Other local organizations of which he is a member are the Cumberland Club, the Portland Country Club, and the Portland Rotary Club.

In Mount Tabor, New Jersey, in June, 1921, Edward B. Mason married Isabelle Mitchell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Mitchell of Jersey City, New Jersey. Children of this marriage are: 1. Edward B., Jr., born at Newark, New Jersey, June 23, 1922. He is a graduate of Milford High School, Milford, Connecticut, and of Peddie School, Hightstown, New Jersey; and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Duke University. During World War II Edward B. Mason, Jr.,



served in the 102nd Field Artillery, and was in uniform from 1942 to 1945. He is now associated with his father in the operation of the Pine Motor Company. 2. J. William, born at South Orange, New Jersey, March 23, 1927. He too graduated from Milford High School in Connecticut, and attended Duke University. He is now attending the University of Maine where he is a member of the class of 1950. Like his older brother, J. William Mason has an interest in the management of the Pine Motor Company, and expects to be associated with the concern on his graduation.

The family resides at 53 Sylvan Road, South Portland.

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#### **SWEARINGEN, Clifford B.**

President of Swearingen Motors, of Portland, Clifford B. Swearingen had a varied experience in engineering and contracting before entering the automotive field, the latter having afforded expression for his enterprising nature, and made his name far better known than his previous occupations. Situated at 295 Forest Avenue, his Portland salesroom is a model of modernity, and is run in an efficient and friendly way which guarantees it continued prosperity.

Mr. Swearingen is a Midwesterner by birth; a native of Kansas City, born January 5, 1903. He is a son of Orson H. and Ruby Guy (Patton) Swearingen, and began his education in his native city, graduating from Westport High School which takes its name from the old settlement antedating that Midwestern metropolis. He thereafter entered the University of Missouri, at Columbia, and graduated in the class of 1924, with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Engineering.

From 1924 to 1942 Mr. Swearingen

was engaged in the municipal contracting business throughout the Midwest, the circuit of his activities taking him from Miami, Florida to North Dakota. His contracts consisted chiefly of the installation of waterworks, city disposal plants and power plants; and he earned a reputation for competence and skill during the slightly less than two decades in which he explored the possibilities of the engineering profession.

During World War II, Mr. Swearingen entered the service in the Civil Engineer Corps of the United States Naval Reserve, with the rank of lieutenant commander, and served from April 5, 1943 to January 29, 1946, being stationed during the greater part of that period in the Pacific Theater of Operations. On his theater ribbon, he wears the battle star for the sanguinary invasion of Okinawa.

On his return to civilian life, Mr. Swearingen sought the opportunity to launch himself in a new field of endeavor, and in April, 1946, less than two months out of uniform, he established Swearingen Motors. Although all his previous experience had been in the Midwest, he now chose the East as his locale, situating in Portland, where he has successfully conducted business since that time. Entering the automotive sales field during the difficult post-war period, he has proven at once his adaptability and his innate qualifications for commercial enterprise; and in a short time his name, blazoned over Portland's most modern agency, has become well-known and respected. He deals in the Lincoln and Mercury line of cars, and his service center sells Gulf fuel products.

Mr. Swearingen is a Mason, member of Lenexa Lodge No. 135, in Lenexa, Kansas. Another tie with the Midwest is his Shrine affiliation, for he is a member of

Ararat Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in Kansas City, Missouri. In Portland, he belongs to the Masonic Club. Mr. Swearingen's father, who is an attorney at law practicing in Kansas City, is eminent in Masonry, holding the order's highest, or Thirty-third degree.

Mr. Swearingen also belongs to the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Cumberland Club, the Portland Country Club, and the Portland Yacht Club.

At State Street Congregational Church in Portland, October 9, 1944, Clifford B. Swearingen married Esther Alden Corson, a native of Boston, daughter of Charles A. Alden, who is treasurer of the New England Coal and Coke Company of Boston. Mrs. Swearingen was the widow of Dr. Carl C. Corson, orthopedic surgeon of Portland, by whom she is the mother of two children: John Alden, born in Boston in November, 1936; and David Jackson, who was born in Portland, July 11, 1939.

Mr. Swearingen has a daughter by a former marriage, Nancy Miriam, born in Kansas City, Missouri, January 26, 1927, now a student at the University of Missouri.

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#### DAVIS, Halsey

President of the George C. Shaw Company of Portland, a firm of importers, grocers, and marketmen associated with the Brockton Public Market, Inc., Halsey Davis has found his career in this commercial field determined by both inheritance and training. His father, the late Maynard A. Davis, founded the Brockton Public Market, original establishment in this large grocery chain, in November, 1899. Halsey Davis, after a considerable period in association with his father, assumed his present connection with the

George E. Shaw store in 1935; and his devotion to his career, and well-known abilities in merchandising have proven fruitful to the business, the community and himself.

Born in Brockton, Massachusetts, March 21, 1902, Halsey Davis is a son of Maynard A. Davis, a native of Portland, Maine, and founder of the Brockton Public Market, and of his wife the former Emma Smith Walker, who was born in Seekonk, Massachusetts. Educated in the Massachusetts town of his birth, Halsey Davis graduated from its high school in the class of 1920, thereupon entering the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst, Massachusetts. In 1924 he received the degree of Bachelor of Science from the University of Massachusetts, and he is also a graduate of the School of Business Administration of Harvard University, class of 1926, with the degree of Master of Business Administration. In that year he became associated with the elder Mr. Davis, and in 1933 succeeded him as president of the Brockton Public Market.

In 1935 Mr. Davis came to Portland to assume management of the George E. Shaw Company, which had become one of the branches of the steadily expanding Brockton Public Market enterprise. He has continued with that concern ever since, assuming the office of president in 1937. Mr. T. Jefferson Foster is the company's treasurer. Maynard A. Davis died January 6, 1947.

A complete list of these associated stores, together with the years of their founding, follows: The Brockton Public Market, in Brockton, Massachusetts, which began business November 22, 1899, under the management of Maynard A. Davis, who was succeeded by Lloyd A. Thomas as superintendent; the New



Bedford Public Market in New Bedford, opened November 19, 1914; the Rockland Branch of the Brockton Public Market, opened in Rockland, Massachusetts, May 25, 1918; the market's branch in Bridgewater, Massachusetts, also opened May 25, 1918; the Norwood branch, in Massachusetts, opened March 27, 1919; the Stoughton branch, Stoughton, Massachusetts, opened April 10, 1919; the George C. Shaw Company, Portland, purchased June 1, 1919; the Portland Public Market, purchased June 1, 1919; the Milford branch, Milford, Massachusetts, opened May 27, 1920; the Campello branch, opened January 18, 1923; and the New Bedford Public Market, South End branch, opened at New Bedford, Massachusetts, July 12, 1923.

These associated enterprises had their inception when, in 1899, Brockton's biggest department food store was opened at 89 Main Street in that city. Hiram Wade had conducted a grocery there for several years, and sold his business, stock and fixtures to Maynard A. Davis, who, with Fred A. Hoyt of Pawtucket, formed a partnership under the name of the Brockton Public Market Company, to sell meats, groceries, and provisions at retail. Twenty people were employed, and the receipts from the first day's business were \$167.59. The business grew and expanded. Soon an opportunity came to lease larger quarters in a more central location, and a new store was opened in January, 1904. Public demand soon necessitated a still further enlargement of floor space, which was acquired in the same building. The firm in its early years survived two fires, which necessitated relocation temporarily; but the Brockton market has continued to hold its Main Street address since 1911. It was incorporated under Massachusetts laws in July,

1920, and expansion, in Massachusetts communities and in Portland, has continued.

Each branch features the same orderly arrangement of stock, merchandising methods and business policies, and the same courteous treatment of customers which have prevailed for a half century, and have won favor wherever a Brockton market is located. The George C. Shaw Company, which represents the firm in Portland, itself has two addresses: at 585 Congress Street, and 7 to 9 Preble Street. Its history as an independent grocery runs even further back than that of the Brockton Public Market, for it was established in 1860.

In addition to his primary business interest as president of the George C. Shaw Company, Halsey Davis is a community leader, president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce for 1948-1949, and vice president of the Portland Community Chest for 1948. He is also a member of the Portland Rotary Club. His avocation is farming.

Halsey Davis is married to the former Phyllis C. Smith of Brockton, daughter of Albert G. and Edith (Graham) Smith. They were married on October 19, 1926, and are the parents of one child, Howard G., born in Portland, June 19, 1936. Howard G. Davis now attends the Webster School at Auburn.

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#### **PARKER, Joseph E.**

President and director of Milliken, Tomlinson Company, wholesale grocers, Joseph E. Parker is also prominent in other executive and official positions in Portland, where that company's headquarters is located. He is chairman of the board of the Independent Grocers Alliance of America, vice president and trustee of the Gorham Savings Bank, and



a director of other utilities and banking institutions. As a leader among the city's business men, his position is unchallenged, and his counsel highly valued.

Mr. Parker was born in Gorham, Maine, June 2, 1891. His father, Horace Greeley Parker, was also born in that city, where he was engaged in the retail grocery business for twenty-five years. He married May Frances Elwell, a native of Westbrook. He died in 1925 at the age of sixty-five, and she in 1947, at the age of seventy-nine.

A graduate of the Gorham High School in the class of 1910, Joseph E. Parker entered the Milliken, Tomlinson Company in that year as an office boy. Subsequently, the company opened a branch wholesale warehouse at Presque Isle, and Mr. Parker, who had already given evidence of his business abilities, was put in charge of inaugurating its activities. He remained in charge from May, 1916 to September, 1918, when he returned to the Portland office and entered the purchasing department. There Mr. Parker remained until his promotion to the vice presidency of the company in 1933. He was made president in 1935.

The firm of Milliken, Tomlinson Company, wholesale grocers, maintain a main office at 307 Commercial Street in Portland, and branches in Lewiston, Bangor, and Presque Isle. Mr. Parker's executive qualities as demonstrated in the presidency of this company have received nationwide attention among colleagues in the grocery trade, and he has become chairman of the board of the Independent Grocers' Alliance of America, whose national headquarters is in Chicago, Illinois. Locally, Mr. Parker is a member of the boards of directors of the following organizations: the Casco Bank and Trust Company of Portland, the Portland Gas

and Light Company, and the Federal Building and Loan Association of Portland. He is a vice president, and trustee, of the Gorham Savings Bank, and a trustee of the Baxter Library at Gorham. Mr. Parker is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce of Portland, and of the Maine Publicity Bureau. His clubs are the Portland and the Cumberland. He is a Republican in his politics, and a member of the First Congregational Church of Gorham.

At Gorham, in May, 1916, Joseph E. Parker married Edith Wilma Graves of that city, daughter of the late John Graves. Mr. and Mrs. Parker are the parents of three children: 1. Eleanor, born in Presque Isle, a graduate of Gorham Teachers College. She is now married to Clinton Dewey Merrill, Jr., of Falmouth Foreside, and they have one son, Clinton Parker, born in July, 1948. 2. Wilma, who was born in Portland, and graduated from the Connecticut College for Women in the class of 1943. She married Charles W. Redman, Jr., of Bangor, and they have one son, Joseph Parker, born in September, 1948. 3. Louise, born in Portland, a graduate of Westbrook Junior College and of Connecticut College for Women. The Parker family resides at Gorham.

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#### **LORD, Harold I.**

A real estate broker of Kennebunk, successful and prominent in its business affairs, Harold I. Lord is a member of a family who have long been identified with the development of the Kennebunk region. He owns and resides in the "Wedding Cake House," widely known for its uniqueness of construction and architectural grace, which was built by an ancestor of Mr. Lord a century and a quarter ago.

A native of Melrose, Massachusetts,



*Harold J. Lord.*





Harold I. Lord was born December 18, 1913, son of Walter B. Lord, and grandson of George Bourne and Nellie F. (Jefferds) Lord, by whom he was reared. After beginning his education in local schools he entered Stearns School in Mount Vernon, New Hampshire, and on completion of his secondary education matriculated at Dartmouth College. From that famed institution of learning he directed his attention to acquiring a commercial education, and completed a course at the Boston University School of Business Administration.

Mr. Lord started his career as a buyer for the firm of Hewes and Potter of Boston, remaining with that company from 1937 to 1942. The following year he enlisted for service with the United States Army Air Corps, being called to active duty in January, 1943, and serving until February, 1946. Having been engaged in some of the important air action of World War II, he has remained actively identified with the organized reserve corps of the air arm.

On returning to civilian life, Mr. Lord made his home in Kennebunk, settling in the historic old house owned by his family, and identifying himself with the real estate business, in which he has been notably successful, and he has laid the foundation for a rewarding career in this territory with which his forebears have long been associated.

A brief historical account of the "Wedding Cake House" is in order at this point, for it is one of the best known structures in southeastern Maine, and is certainly the most noted in the "Four Kennebunks." Although long known by the above name, and sought out by tourists, photographed and publicized under that designation, it was not so called by any member of the family, and is

often referred to locally as the "Gingerbread House." It was built by George W. Bourne about 1825, this date being accepted because the figures on the weathercock on the barn are 1826. From the time of the death of George Bourne it has remained in the possession of members of the family, and before Harold I. Lord came into possession title was held by his grandfather, George Bourne Lord, of Melrose, Massachusetts, in whose home Harold I. Lord spent his boyhood. When or for what reason the house acquired the "Wedding Cake" designation, and who first applied that descriptive phrase, has been unknown to either of these latter-day owners, but it has become widely recognized under that name. Thousands of pictures have been taken of the yellow house and adjoining barn, with their many turrets and pinnacles painted in white. Souvenir cards have been produced by the thousands, and these have appeared not only on the American market and in the Dominion of Canada, but, as related by local residents returning from Europe, pictures of the house and barn have been found for sale in the major capitals of Europe: in London, Paris, Berlin, and Rome. Some of this interest may stem from the architectural derivation of the house. Nellie F. (Jefferds) Lord, the present owner's grandmother, once said in speaking of the house, "Grandfather Bourne was a great case to draw. After his death we found many drawings he had made from pictures of the Cathedral at Milan, a magnificent structure, ornamented with turrets, pinnacles, and statues. We believe Grandfather Bourne ornamented his house with turrets and pinnacles because he admired the cathedral architecture." This statement serves to discount the legend that the Kennebunk home was

constructed by a seafaring bridegroom, who, when forced to leave his bride and go to sea, would spend his leisure hours carving curious designs in wood, which he would present to her on his return, and which she, as evidence of her devotion, caused to be erected upon the superstructure of the house. Even the occupation of the builder is in error in this fanciful account, for George W. Bourne was a man of many interests, all of them on land: he kept a store, built ships, and made woodwork as an avocation; but only once went to sea, on a brief trip to Virginia. Members of the family have been able to trace the "Wedding Cake House" name back forty-some years. Mr. and Mrs. George Bourne Lord, then residents of Melrose, were summering at the homestead one year, and on a visit to Kennebunkport, Mrs. Lord picked up a postcard which bore a representation of her home, over the title "The Wedding Cake House." This was the first time the owners were aware of its being called by that name. It is sometimes spoken of locally as the "Gingerbread House."

The house has been kept in excellent repair, with only minor interior changes from its original design. The devotion of its occupants to the picturesque old residence has assured its preservation. It was the birthplace of George Bourne Lord; and his grandson, Harold I. Lord has enjoyed the privilege of returning to Kennebunk Landing to occupy the ancestral site, and to establish a thriving business venture in the nearby town.

As a veteran of World War II, Harold I. Lord takes an interest in the activities of the American Legion, of which he is a member of the Kennebunkport Post. He has also entered fully into civic responsibilities of a local and statewide nature, is past secretary and treasurer of

the Kennebunk Lions Club, and a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau. He and his family are communicants of the Congregational Church.

At Wayland, Massachusetts, July 13, 1940, Harold I. Lord married Mary S. Simensen, daughter of Christian and Mary (Wilson) Simensen. Mrs. Lord is a graduate of Sudbury High School, and of Burdett Business College.

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#### GOULD, Sherman I.

For fifty years Sherman I. Gould has practiced law in Portland. In his work at the bar and in his participation in civic affairs, he has served his fellow citizens most effectively. The years have brought him a wide circle of friends and a knowledge of the annals of the city, for he never has been the idle observer of events, but always a part of them.

Sherman I. Gould is not a native of Maine, although long one of its promoters. He was born at Ebensburg, Pennsylvania, on September 27, 1871, son of Isaac S. and Hattie E. (Day) Gould, both now deceased. His mother was a native of Portland, daughter of Syllanvus Day, a "Forty-niner" who was one of those rare gold seekers in California who actually found the elusive metal. Isaac S. Gould, a native of Hiram, was variously a merchant, dealer, and maker of harnesses. The family early returned to the place from whence they came and their son was educated in the grammar schools of Portland, and graduated from high school in 1889. Deciding to become an attorney, he chose the method, prevalent at that time, of entering a lawyer's office in a clerical capacity, under the tutelage of a distinguished attorney, Ardon W. Coombs, well-known in his day. Not until nine years later did Sherman I. Gould seek admission to the bar, and in 1898 he



passed the required examinations and since then has practiced his profession in Portland.

His work has been general in character down through the years, and he has engaged at times in noteworthy litigation, but by preference he likes best to have matters settled out of court to as much mutual satisfaction as possible. For thirty-five years he has been attorney for the Portland Savings Bank, and is a director and former president of the Falmouth Building and Loan Association, of Portland. Professional memberships are the Maine State Bar Association, and the Cumberland County Bar Association. He gives allegiance to the Republican party, without being politically ambitious. Fraternally he is affiliated with Hadattah Lodge, at Portland, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Trinity Lodge of the Knights of Pythias, and the Maccabees. He belongs to the Woodfords Club, of Portland, and attends the Woodfords Congregational Church.

In 1903, at Quincy, Massachusetts, Sherman I. Gould married Mary E. Geer, who was born in this city, and who died in 1938.

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#### **LUNT, Robert Browne**

An educator of wide experience in his native Maine, Robert Browne Lunt is now superintendent of schools in Union No. 10, the Cape Elizabeth-Scarboro section. In the profession since 1933, Mr. Lunt is well-known in New England.

He was born at Old Town on May 30, 1907, the son of Charles E. and Gertrude W. (Browne) Lunt. Both parents were also born at Old Town. The father, now deceased, was a merchant.

The educator was graduated from Colby College with the degree of Bachelor of

Science in 1930. In 1933 he took his degree of Master of Arts at the University of Maine. In 1938, after he had been teaching for five years, he went to the University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill, for postgraduate work. Again in the summers of 1943, 1945 and 1947, after he had achieved superintendent's status, he took further postgraduate work in the Harvard University Graduate School of Education.

Mr. Lunt began his career as a teacher in the Gilman High School at North East Harbor, Maine. This initial post he held from 1933 to 1935. He left that high school to accept appointment as head of the normal department of the Maine School of Commerce in Bangor, where he remained until 1940. In that year he was made superintendent of schools in Union No. 114, at Island Falls. Four years later he went to Rockland as superintendent of schools of Union No. 70. In 1948 he accepted his present office of superintendent of schools of Union No. 10, Cape Elizabeth-Scarboro. He makes his home in South Portland.

Mr. Lunt is a member of the American Association of School Administrators, the Maine Superintendents Association, the National Education Association, the Maine Teachers Association and the Masonic order at Island Falls. When he was at Colby College he was elected to Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He is a Republican and a member of the Congregational Church.

Mr. Lunt married Elna A. Whitney of Milford, the daughter of Harry D. and Ethel (Aldrich) Whitney, at Milford on March 24, 1934. Mrs. Lunt was graduated from the University of Maine in 1932, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Mr. and Mrs. Lunt are the parents of a daughter and son: Harriet W. Lunt, born on



August 17, 1939, at Bangor, and Robert Browne Lunt, Jr., born on May 24, 1941, at Island Falls.

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**COBB, Bertrand E.**

A citizen with a reputation in the financial field, Bertrand E. Cobb of Portland is secretary-treasurer and a director of the Cumberland Savings and Loan Association and an outstanding figure in various fraternal bodies. He holds the Thirty-second degree in Masonry and is a veteran of World War I.

Born in Portland on October 15, 1895, Bertrand E. Cobb is the son of the late Edward M. and Mary (Hutchins) Cobb, both natives of Portland. His father was a prominent contractor and builder who headed the construction firm of Cobb and Webster. His mother is deceased.

Bertrand E. Cobb was graduated from the Deering High School and for a time attended the University of Maine at Orono. In 1915 he entered the employ of the Casco Mercantile Trust Company of Portland, beginning as a clerk. He was still with this institution at the time the United States was catapulted into World War I in April, 1917, and, taking a leave of absence, he joined the National Guard. He was attached to the Second Company of the Coast Artillery, a unit which was quickly mustered into the regular army, and served until the end of the war as a private.

Upon his discharge from the service, Mr. Cobb returned to his position with the Casco Mercantile Trust Company, with which he continued for several years. Then he resigned from the company to associate himself with his father in the contracting and building business. In 1929 Mr. Cobb became assistant treasurer of the Cumberland Savings and Loan Association. On November 28, 1945, he

was elevated to his present dual office of secretary-treasurer and elected to the board of directors. Mr. Cobb is active in the Rotary Club of Portland, the Woodfords Club of that city, and the Central Square Baptist Church. He was one of the organization leaders and is a charter member of the Ralph D. Caldwell Post of the American Legion in Portland. In Masonry, he belongs to Deering Lodge No. 183, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Mount Sinai Chapter No. 71, Royal Arch Masons, of which he was treasurer in 1948-1949; Valley of Portland Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree, and the Portland Commandery, Knights Templar.

On July 17, 1933, Mr. Cobb married Phyllis Mosman of Quincy, Massachusetts. Mrs. Cobb, who attended the Boston Conservatory of Music, is the organist of the First Church of Portland, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mosman of Quincy. By a previous marriage Mr. Cobb is the father of Joseph H. Cobb, who was born in Portland in 1924. A graduate of Deering High School, Joseph Cobb received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from the University of Maine in 1949. In World War II, he served in the United States Army Air Forces with the rank of second lieutenant, attached to the famed Eighth Air Force. He married Shirley Pratt of Westbrook, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rahma W. Pratt of that community, and they have one son, David B. Cobb, who was born in August, 1947, in Bangor.

Bertrand E. Cobb's office is at 185 Middle Street, Portland. For a hobby he goes in for farming "in a small way."

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**DONAHUE, Charles Louis**

As political leader and member of the

judiciary, the late Judge Charles Louis Donahue of Portland served the people of Maine in distinguished fashion for years. He was a leader in the Maine State Bar, a Recorder of the Portland Municipal Court, Judge of Probate in Cumberland County, and an executive of the Democratic party, a citizen who was in great demand as a speaker and who was known for his flawlessly written and spoken English. He is generally recognized today as among that small company of citizens who have made the greatest contribution to the development of modern Maine. Judge Donahue's widow is the equally famed Mrs. Helen Cunningham Donahue, former Democratic National Committeewoman and former Postmaster of Portland, one of New England's and the nation's outstanding women.

Judge Donahue was born in Portland on August 10, 1876, the son of Thomas F. and Elizabeth A. (Hayes) Donahue. He was graduated from the Portland High School in 1896 and in the next four years was a student at Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. While at Georgetown the future jurist acted as correspondent for the Portland "Sunday Telegram." Also, he was on the editorial staff of the Washington "Times" and for a time was also employed in the Bureau of the Census of the Department of Commerce. For his professional training Judge Donahue went to Harvard University School of Law, from which in 1905 he graduated cum laude with the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

After a brief practice of law in Boston, Judge Donahue returned to his native Portland and for the next thirty years maintained a law office there. From the time he was admitted to the bar until his death in 1935, he was associated with his brother, Paul E. Donahue, now also de-

ceased. Judge Donahue was an ardent Democrat from boyhood and after he became a lawyer served the party in various highly responsible capacities. He and Mrs. Donahue, who for years represented Maine on the Democratic National Committee, not only championed the Democratic cause in Portland, Cumberland County, and Maine but were also active in the national conventions at Houston in 1928 and Chicago in 1932. By their work in the Maine convention in 1932 they succeeded in having the Maine delegation instructed for Franklin D. Roosevelt at Chicago.

Judge Donahue was appointed recorder of the Portland Municipal Court by Governor Frederick W. Plaisted on January 11, 1911, and he served for the next four years. In 1914 he began his service as Judge of Probate of Cumberland County. He was on this bench for four years also. Through the years, he made a reputation as a lawyer and was especially distinguished in his court appearances. He was a member of the Portland Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Portland Club, the Harvard Clubs of Portland and New York City, and other organizations. In World War I, he was a member of the draft board in Portland. One of Maine's most popular men, he had a legion of friends throughout his lifetime. Brilliant on any platform, Judge Donahue displayed his best as an after-dinner speaker.

On October 9, 1911, Judge Donahue married Helen Cunningham, member of the prominent Cunningham family of Maine and daughter of the founder of the Cunningham Construction Company of Portland. The wedding ceremony was performed in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Portland, by the late Bishop Louis S. Walsh, and for their



wedding tour the young couple visited Europe. Three children were born to them: Charles and Elizabeth Donahue, twins, and Vincent Donahue. On May 3, 1935, Judge Donahue died, and has been widely mourned.

Mrs. Donahue was appointed Postmaster of Portland by President Roosevelt in March, 1934, the appointment being confirmed by the United States Senate on April 2 of that year. At the time she started her duties, Mrs. Donahue was the first woman postmaster of a first-class post office in Maine. She succeeded Charles A. Robinson in Portland.

Mrs. Donahue is a graduate of Academy of the Sacred Heart, Providence, Rhode Island, and for years was a prominent figure in state and national politics. She held various offices in city, county and state organizations of the Democratic party before her election to the national committee. In 1949 she resigned her office of postmaster, having become eligible in April of that year to retire under the fifteen-year pension plan. She is a member of the Altrusa Club of Portland, the Cumberland County League of Women Voters, and is a former member of the National Association of Postmasters of the United States. She is also part owner of the Lafayette Hotel. Besides the three children, Mrs. Donahue has three grandchildren. The twins reside in Washington, D. C., one-time "stamping ground" of their late illustrious father; Vincent Donahue makes his home in New York. Mrs. Donahue's year-round home is in the Lafayette Hotel, and her summer home is at Cape Elizabeth.

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#### **BRIGHAM, Dwight Stillman**

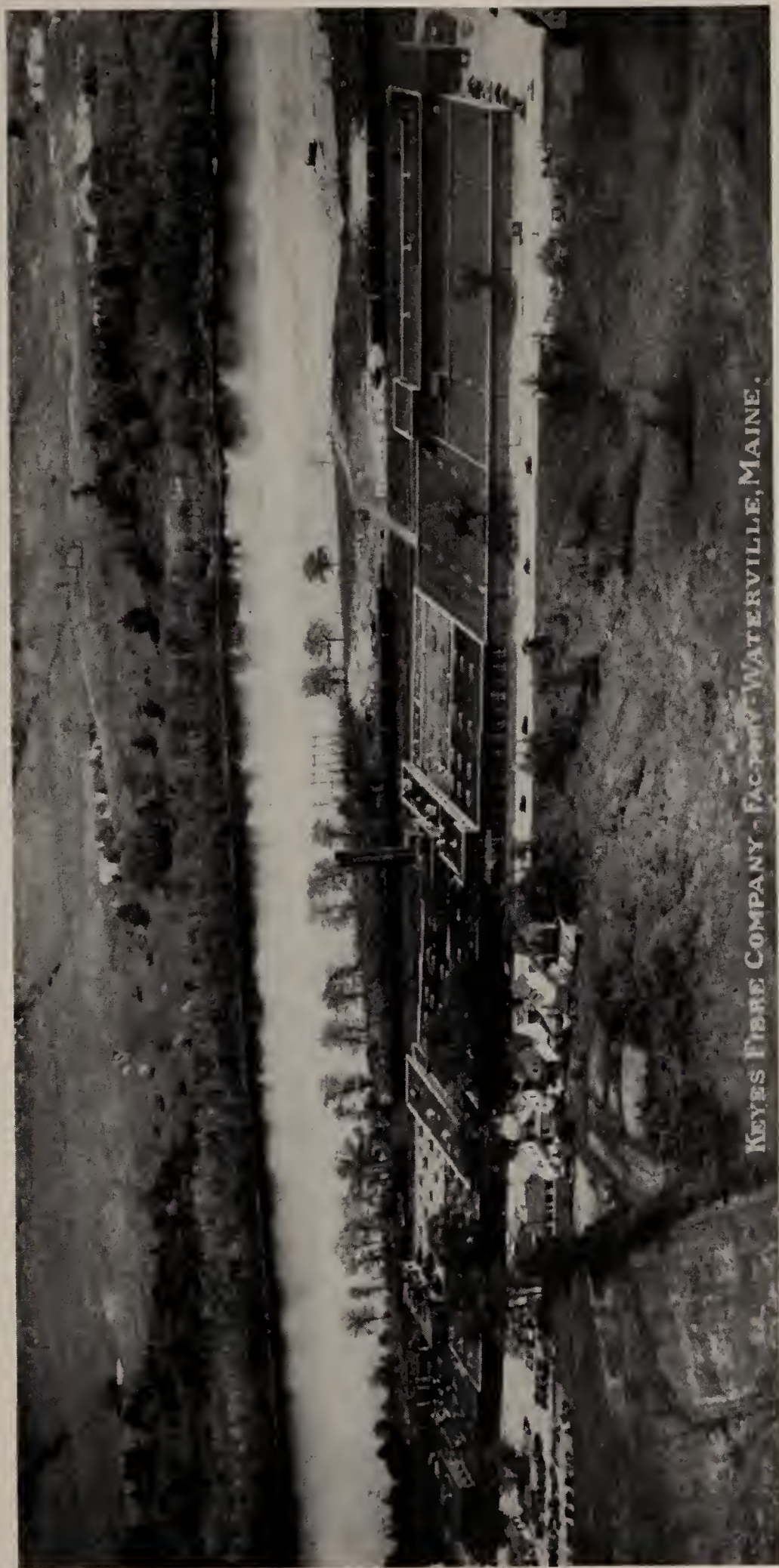
Into the life of Dwight Stillman Brigham have been packed a wide variety of activities, in the business, civic, military,

and social fields. As a corporation executive he heads the Keyes Fibre Company of Waterville, and as a director and official is associated with several other important corporations. He served with the United States Engineers during World War I, and as a clubman he is exceptionally well-known. Without ostentation he is liberal in his philanthropies and community identifications, as well as in his commercial contributions to the wealth and prosperity of Maine, in which his chief enterprises are located, and Massachusetts where he makes his home.

Born at Worcester, Massachusetts, on August 24, 1886, Dwight Stillman Brigham is a son of John J. and Nellie J. (Spurr) Brigham. His father, a manufacturer, was long associated with one of the concerns now a part of the large United States Envelope Company. Prepared for higher education, Dwight Brigham matriculated at Harvard University, where he was graduated with the degree Bachelor of Arts, class of 1908. Within a year after leaving college, he entered the employ of the New York Central Railroad, with which he remained from 1909 to 1917, apparently well established in a career with the transportation industry. When the United States became involved in World War I, he entered the United States Army and, with the rank of lieutenant colonel, served twenty-one months in France with the United States Army Engineers. In 1917 he led a battalion of the United States Engineers through London, passing in review before King George V, Queen Alexandra and Marshal French. This was the first time that armed foreign troops had marched through London since the days of William of Orange.

Upon returning to civilian life, Mr. Brigham, in 1919, became assistant to





KEYES FIBRE COMPANY FACTORY-WATERVILLE, MAINE.



the president of the Boston and Maine Railroad. Later he was named assistant general manager, and so continued to 1927. A man of vision and courage in trying out his ideas, he quit railroading in that year, 1927, and began a career as a corporation executive, organizer, and financier. His abilities and skill and courage were quickly tested by the international financial depression of the early 1930s, and he acquitted himself well then and later in the trying times of World War II.

Dwight Stillman Brigham is president and a director of the Keyes Fibre Company of Waterville; vice president and director of the James River Bridge System of Newport News, Virginia; member of the board of directors of the Portland Gas and Light Company, and of Wiggin Terminals, Inc.; and has been long associated with other concerns, such as Dillon Reed, bankers, and Coverdale and Colpitts, engineers. He knows how to enjoy life, and is a popular member of the Brookline Country Club, the Eastern Yacht Club, the Cumberland Club, the Harvard Club, and the Union League, most of these in the Boston area. In politics Mr. Brigham is a staunch Republican without ambitions for public office, and he attends the Protestant Episcopal Church. His hobby is wet fly fishing, which he particularly enjoys in the Province of Quebec, Canada, where he is a member of the Scott Fish and Game Club of Temiscouata County.

At Worcester, Massachusetts, on June 26, 1909, Dwight Stillman Brigham married Marion Brittan Shattuck, and they are the parents of two daughters: Nancy B. Hawes, and Mary B. Fisher.

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#### **SULLIVAN, Francis William**

Attorney at law and man of affairs,

Francis William Sullivan holds a place of distinction in Portland, of which he is a native and lifelong citizen. Equipped with university education and the technical training of one of the foremost law schools in the United States, he has won high standing among colleagues and clients. He serves a number of organizations as legal adviser; enters actively civic movements, and stands always ready to aid the poor and underprivileged.

Born at Portland, Maine, on July 15, 1894, Francis William Sullivan is a son of John W. and Margaret E. (Kilday) Sullivan. His father came originally from Ireland, and was a resident of Portland from the age of four years. A substantial merchant, his death on March 14, 1920, was regretted by all who knew him. The mother, a native of Portland, passed on December 16, 1925. The older man lived only long enough to see his son a law graduate admitted to the bar of Maine.

Francis William Sullivan was prepared for higher education in the Portland High School, from which he was graduated with the class of 1912. Matriculating at Georgetown University, he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1916, with the additional advantages of familiarity with the "Washington scene," at the Nation's capital city. For his professional education, he entered Harvard University Law School, and was graduated in 1919, a Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar during the following year, he has since been engaged in a practice of civil law in Portland with exceptional success. He is legal consultant of the Maine Municipal Association, legal advisor of the Roman Catholic Diocese, and the Greater Portland Public Development Commission. Mr. Sullivan is a member of the Maine State Bar Association, and the Cumberland County Bar Association. Numbered



among his directorates are those with the First Portland National Bank, the Federal Loan and Building Association, and the Commercial Credit Plan, Inc., of Presque Isle. His fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Columbus, and he is a communicant of the Holy Cross Catholic Church, and is identified with several religious and charitable projects. His scholastic career was not without interruptions, for he was a private during World War I, member of an infantry regiment, United States Army. During World War II, he was Government Appeal Agent for the Cumberland County Draft Board, No. 5. His favorite recreations are hunting and fishing.

On June 1, 1927, at Portland, Maine, Francis William Sullivan married Mary Alberta Kennedy, daughter of Richard and Kate (Stacy) Kennedy. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan are the parents of a son: Richard Kennedy, who was born February 25, 1928; a graduate of Portland High School and Georgetown University, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1948; now second lieutenant, United States Army.

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**FEENEY, Most Rev. Daniel**

**Joseph, D.D.**

Performing a valuable spiritual service in this state as Bishop of the Portland Diocese, the Most Rev. Daniel Joseph Feeney has had many years of activity, first as priest and later as Bishop in this region of New England.

Bishop Feeney was born September 12, 1894, in Portland, son of Daniel Joseph and Mary Ann (Quinn) Feeney. His father was for many years active in business life as superintendent of the Portland Gas Company.

The younger Daniel Joseph Feeney attended public schools in Portland through

the grammar and high school grades and was graduated from Portland High School in 1912. Between 1913 and 1915 he was a student at Holy Cross College, Worcester, Massachusetts, after which he had six years of study at Grand Seminary, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. There he continued until ordained to the priesthood on May 21, 1921, at St. James Basilica, in Montreal. Father Feeney was assistant priest at St. Mary's Church, Orono, from 1921 to 1926 and served as Diocesan superintendent of parochial schools from 1926 to 1929, when he became Pastor of the parish of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Presque Isle. He was consecrated Bishop on September 12, 1946, and since July, 1948, he has centered his activity in Portland. He has made a substantial contribution to this city and to his own church and the general spiritual life of this city. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus.

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**McCARTHY, Most Rev. Joseph Edward**

Until recently Bishop of Portland, Most Rev. Joseph Edward McCarthy has served his diocese, and the cause of his church, with distinction since 1932, prior to that time having distinguished himself both as educator and pastor in the service of the Roman Catholic Church in other locations.

Bishop McCarthy was born in Waterbury, Connecticut, November 14, 1876, and is a son of Eugene and Johanna (Coloty) McCarthy. He attended the elementary public schools of his native city, and Crosby High School, then entered Holy Cross College, in Worcester, Massachusetts in 1895. He graduated from that institution in 1899 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

Following his graduation from Holy Cross College, he entered the School of





Hubert J. Brown.



Philosophy of the Catholic University of America in Washington, D. C., for post-graduate work. On finishing this course in philosophy, he went abroad to study theology at Saint Sulpice, Paris, France. Ordained a priest in Paris on July 4, 1903, Bishop McCarthy returned to America, where he entered the Hartford Diocese in Hartford, Connecticut. He was appointed professor, in that same year, at St. Thomas Seminary, also situated at Hartford, and remained on the teaching staff of the seminary until 1910, when he was appointed by the Bishop of Hartford to the pastorate of the Sacred Heart Church, Wauregan, Connecticut.

In 1913 Bishop McCarthy was given charge as pastor of All Hallows Parish, Moosup, Connecticut, where he remained until 1929, in that year returning to St. Thomas Seminary in Hartford as vice rector of the seminary. He was appointed by the Holy See in Rome as Bishop of Portland, in 1932, and consecrated as Bishop on August 24, of that year. He resided as Bishop of Portland until his recent retirement, and he is succeeded by Bishop Daniel J. Feeney (q.v.).

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### **BROWN, Simmons**

A leading automobile dealer in the state of Maine, Simmons Brown of Portland is also known for his interest in civic progress and health and welfare. For years a prominent figure in the pulp and paper industry, the progress of which has been so closely associated with his family's activities, he is now the owner of Brown Motors, Inc., 495 Forest Avenue, Portland, dealers in Chrysler and Plymouth automobiles.

Mr. Brown was born at Berlin, New Hampshire, on October 29, 1889, the son of Herbert J. and Eva S. Brown. His

father was the noted civic business leader and philanthropist, who for thirty years was president of The Brown Company, pulp and paper manufacturers, and whose life and career are chronicled on other pages of this history. Simmons Brown was educated at Phillips Andover Academy, from which he was graduated in 1908, and at Williams College, which in 1912 awarded him the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

From the time he left Williams in 1912 until 1941, Mr. Brown was with his father's concern, first known as the Berlin Mills Company, at Berlin. In 1917, following a merger with the Burgess Sulphide Company of Berlin, the business became known as The Brown Company. Mr. Brown served this concern as an executive until 1941, when he resigned to become owner of Brown Motors, Inc. His is one of the largest businesses of its kind in Maine. Mr. Brown is a member of the board of trustees of Maine General Hospital in Portland. He is also a deacon in his church, the State Street Congregational. He is a member of Portland Country Club and the Cumberland Club. At Williams he was elected to Kappa Alpha fraternity.

On June 12, 1913, Mr. Brown married Mary Fletcher of Portland, the daughter of the late George and Ella (Jordan) Fletcher. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are the parents of a son and two daughters: Fletcher Brown, born on October 3, 1915; Joan Hartwell Brown, born on February 9, 1921, and Karen Brown, born on July 30, 1925. Fletcher Brown was graduated from Deerfield Academy at South Deerfield, Massachusetts, and in 1934 received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Williams College. In World War II, he was a lieutenant junior grade in the United States Naval Re-

serve, serving as a pilot in the Naval Air Corps in the South Pacific. He is now associated with his father in Brown Motors, Inc. He married Margaret Coleman of Portland and Harburton, New Jersey, the daughter of Douglas R. and Eleanor (Payson) Coleman of Portland, on June 23, 1948. Joan Hartwell Brown was married to Henry Storer Payson of Portland in that city on October 9, 1948. She is a graduate of Pine Manor. Karen Brown, a graduate of The Waynflete School, Portland, took her Bachelor's degree at Smith College in 1947. She is now at home. The Brown residence is at Falmouth Foreside. The family is prominent and popular socially at both Falmouth Foreside and Portland.

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#### **HANSCOM, Ralph W.**

Extensively engaged in the wholesale fish and lobster business in Portland, Ralph W. Hanscom is president and treasurer of Maine Sea Foods, Inc. Mr. Hanscom was born December 16, 1890, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, son of the Rev. Loring L. and Ann (Hall) Hanscom. His father was born in Crawford, Maine, and was for many years a Methodist minister until his death in Thomaston, Maine. His mother was born in Richmond, New Brunswick, Canada.

Attending public schools and graduating from high school at Rockland, Maine, Ralph W. Hanscom then graduated from Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida. His first employment was in the sale of automobiles in Florida in 1912 and 1913, where he was an agent for the Overland car. Returning to New England in 1912, he entered the lobster business at that time, operating in both Boston and Rockland until 1932. Between 1932 and 1936, he was associated with Willard

Daggett in the wholesale fish and lobster business in Portland. It was in 1936 that he established the present organization known as Maine Sea Foods, Inc.

In addition Mr. Hanscom is treasurer of R. W. Hanscom, Inc., owners and operators of fishing boats. The president of this firm is Mr. Hanscom's son-in-law, W. R. Littlefield. Mr. Hanscom is also interested in civic and social affairs in Portland and is a member of the Cumberland Club and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. In the Masonic order he is connected with Aurora Lodge in Rockland and holds the Thirty-second degree. Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is also an initiate of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in Lewiston.

Ralph W. Hanscom married, on June 11, 1915, at Crown Point, Indiana, Frances Moseley, of Chicago, daughter of Bryant and Cora (Gray) Moseley of Bangor. Her father was a nephew of the famous American poet, William Cullen Bryant. Mr. and Mrs. Hanscom became the parents of a daughter, Ruth Bryant Hanscom, who was born April 12, 1916, in Boston, Massachusetts, and who graduated from Westbrook Junior College, Portland, in 1936. She then attended the Katharine Gibbs Secretarial School in Boston. She takes an interest in her father's fish business, and is vice president of Maine Sea Foods, Inc., and of R. W. Hanscom, Inc. She became the wife of William R. Littlefield, born in Parsonsfield, Maine, son of N. M. and Madeline (Walsh) Littlefield. He is a graduate of Portland High School, and is now associated with his father-in-law as manager of Maine Sea Foods, Inc. The Littlefields are the parents of four children: i. Willima R., Jr., born June 19, 1939. ii. Carolyn F., born April 2, 1942. iii. Ann H., born







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November 23, 1943. iv. Susan L., born March 30, 1945. All these children are natives of Portland.

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**WILCOX, Roy T.**

Widely known in business circles in Portland, Roy T. Wilcox is president and treasurer of the King and Dexter Company, dealers at wholesale in hardware, tools, paints, and athletic goods.

Mr. Wilcox was born May 23, 1910, in Biddeford, son of the late George and Elizabeth (Williams) Wilcox. His father, for years a prominent textile engineer, died in 1914. Roy T. Wilcox, four years old at that time, received an early education in Maine's public schools, later being graduated from Deering High School. In 1927 he became associated with King and Dexter, serving in various capacities until, in 1935, he resigned from that connection in order to enter the Boston branch of E. I. duPont de Nemours and Company, Inc. After twelve years with the duPont organization, he returned to King and Dexter as manager, purchasing the business in June, 1948. Its vice president is James E. Mosher. One of the oldest hardware firms of its type in this region of Maine, it was established in 1865 and has had a long and interesting history, in which the personality of Mr. Wilcox has figured prominently in recent years. Its headquarters are 11 Monument Square, Portland.

Along with his work in this connection, Mr. Wilcox is active in the Portland Chamber of Commerce and other organizations, including the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in which he is affiliated with Ancient Landmarks Lodge in Portland, and with different bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree. During World War II, Mr. Wilcox was a

member of the United States Naval Reserve Corps, in which he held the rank of third-class petty officer. He is a member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Woodfords.

Roy T. Wilcox married, July 26, 1939, in Portland, Marion Bruns of that city, daughter of Thomas and Admah (Goodwin) Bruns. Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox became the parents of two children: 1. Barry, born in November, 1940, in Brockton, Massachusetts. 2. Deborah, born in September, 1947, in Portland.

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**VAN AKEN, Vernon W.**

Widely known as a wholesale grocer and ship's chandler, Vernon W. Van Aken is president of the W. S. Jordan Company, in Portland.

Mr. Van Aken was born February 21, 1904, in Ellensville, New York, son of Walter and Phoebe (Cox) Van Aken. His father was a farmer in Ellensville until his death in 1911, his mother died in 1944.

Attending Wilton Academy, at Wilton, Maine, Vernon W. Van Aken early turned his attention to business affairs. Entering the ship's chandlery business, he has been associated for a number of years with the W. S. Jordan Company, of which he is now president. Roy Littlefield is secretary-treasurer of the organization, which was incorporated in 1916. The Jordan Company is a very old one, dating back to 1834, and Mr. Van Aken's contribution to it in recent years has had much to do in its progressive policies and modern business methods.

Mr. Van Aken is interested in numerous Portland civic groups, including the Cumberland Club and the Masonic order. He is affiliated with Mystic Tie Lodge No. 154, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at Weld, Maine; Franklin Chapter No.



44 of Royal Arch Masons at Farmington; Jephtha Council No. 17, Royal and Select Masters; Pilgrim Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar, at Farmington; and Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Lewiston. He is also connected with the Franklin County Shrine Club. Mr. Van Aken attends the First Congregational Church of South Portland. In spare time he enjoys hunting and fishing.

On June 19, 1948, at Greenville, Maine, Vernon W. Van Aken married Alice Willard Trefethen of Portland, daughter of Edward A. and Charlotte (Harmon) Willard. Mrs. Van Aken is the mother of two children by a former marriage: 1. Susan, born in 1937. 2. Eleanor, born in 1939. Both daughters were born in Portland, and attend the Cottage Farm School, in Cape Elizabeth.

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#### **HOBSON, John L.**

In the wood pulp and paper industry, John L. Hobson is an outstanding executive. As president of the St. Croix Paper Company and its subsidiaries at Woodland and Calais, he heads a corporation of interesting and significant history. Three generations of his family have been associated with this concern, which is exceptional in America, as one which, like the English pattern set in Canada, is an enterprise that from the beginning literally went into the woods it owned, created a town, and built an integrated newsprint mill. The company uses the sulphite process, whose discovery dates from only 1886; it is not generally known that "chemical wood pulp" has yet to celebrate its hundredth anniversary.

John L. Hobson is not a "pioneer" of the wood pulp and newsprint industry, as was his grandfather of this same name.

He was born at Berlin, New Hampshire, in 1897, son of Arthur L. and Alice (Gale) Hobson. After attending Phillips Exeter Academy, he enlisted in the United States Army for World War I service, and with the famous Twenty-sixth Division went overseas and during two years in France participated in such notable battles as that of Chateau-Thierry, and several campaigns which preceded this victory. Starting as a private he rose to the rank of second lieutenant, was wounded at the front, and received his honorable discharge in 1919.

Upon his return to civilian life, Mr. Hobson began his apprenticeship with the St. Croix Paper Company, first in the woods, where he learned scaling, estimating of timber, and practical logging. After a year he was brought into the Woodland, Maine, Mill for about another year to become acquainted with the methods and means of making pulp and paper. He also had a year in the accounting, or business administration department, before he was named an assistant manager. In 1929 Mr. Hobson was made treasurer and in later years became vice president of the St. Croix Paper Company. After the death of his father in November, 1946, he was elected president. Although not a pioneer, he is a widely recognized leader in his industry.

Although the annals of the St. Croix Paper Company is a part of the general industrial history of "Modern Maine," the following account is worthy of note in this biographical review of Mr. Hobson. Some years ago his grandfather John L. Hobson, his father Arthur L. Hobson, I. B. Horsford, and members of the Knowles family, organized the St. Croix Paper Company, purchased timber holdings in northern Maine and decided to utilize the fine stands of timber. This





WOODLAND MILL





was in 1905. On the land was water power, a site for a newsprint mill, but no nearby settlement. So the St. Croix Paper Company set to work and, as indicated, made a town, built a dam, erected saw and paper mills, and constructed a spur track to connect with Calais and Princeton Railroad. All this was not done in a day, nor was the continuous accumulation of more raw material, timber, accomplished in a few years. The corporation currently owns more than six hundred thousand acres of timber, approximately two hundred thousand of which are in Canada. Woodland is now a town of about one thousand five hundred people who depend largely upon the company for subsistence. The center of the enterprise is the production of newsprint, sulphite pulp, and ground wood. Newsprint production, which is the main activity, totals eighty-five thousand tons of standard newsprint, including a small output of side runs. Approximately one thousand people are employed, five hundred in the woods and five hundred in the mills. All in all the St. Croix Paper Company enterprise at Woodland is a noteworthy example of a thoroughly integrated industry that contributes directly to the progress and prosperity of a community, and is an important factor in these same fields in Maine.

John L. Hobson, as president of the St. Croix Paper Company and of its subsidiaries (the Eastern Pulpwood Company, handling all timber operations; the Woodland Company, the realty company of the corporation; and the Woodland Light and Water Company, furnishing electricity and water to the community) carries his responsibilities with admirable skill, courage and foresight. In his line of business he and his company are members of the American Paper and Pulp

Association, and of the Newsprint Service Bureau. He is a member of the Tedesco Country Club, the Algonquin, and Downtown clubs of Boston. Fraternally he is affiliated with Louis Island Lodge, of Princeton, Maine, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Bangor. He worships in the Congregational faith, and is liberal in support of humanitarian and religious works.

In 1940, at Portland, Maine, John L. Hobson married Louise Tarling, and they are the parents of three children: Mary Louise, John L., Jr., and Stephen Gale.

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#### **MERRILL, Paul E.**

Operating a successful transportation business in Portland, Paul E. Merrill heads the Merrill Transport Company here.

Mr. Merrill was born September 1, 1913, in Cumberland Center, Cumberland County, son of the late Wallace L. and Harriet M. (Cutter) Merrill. His father, also a native of Cumberland Center, was engaged in farming until his death in August, 1947. His mother still resides at the old family homestead.

Paul E. Merrill attended Greeley Institute, at Cumberland Center, where he established his initial transportation business while still a junior in high school. Subsequently he moved the enterprise to Portland. His first establishment, when he came here in 1933, was at 15 Martyr Street. He moved from that address to 27 Portland Street, then to 332 Forest Avenue. Finally, on January 1, 1948, the company came to its present quarters at 1037 Forest Avenue. The Merrill Transport Company specializes in hauling petroleum products. Mr. Merrill himself has made a study of this speciality of



transportation, and his organization is equipped to serve an ever-widening area along the lines of this specialty.

In addition to his activity in business, Mr. Merrill is a leading figure in civic and social life. He belongs to the Woodfords Club, of Portland, and to the Portland Club and the Cumberland Center Men's Club. He holds memberships, too, in the United States Chamber of Commerce, the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Maine Publicity Bureau, and is a director of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce. He is affiliated with the Maine Truck Owners' Association, serving on its executive board. He is a director of the First Radio Parish Church. In his religious faith he is a Congregationalist.

Paul E. Merrill married, October 23, 1936, in New York City, Virginia Sweetser, of Portland, daughter of Harry P. and Mary (Marsten) Sweetser. They became the parents of two children: 1. Sally Ann, born June 27, 1939, in Portland. 2. Paul D., born March 10, 1944, in Portland.

#### **LIBBY, Harry C.**

A member of the Maine State Bar since 1917, Harry C. Libby of Portland has taken advantage of every opportunity to serve his fellow citizens not only as a lawyer but in various fields of public service and in the armed forces both in World War I and World War II. He is a former State Senator, former Justice of the Municipal Court and Recorder of the City of Portland and a former member and chairman of the Portland City Council. He is active in professional and veterans' organizations and remains influential in civic affairs.

Born in Portland on November 3, 1895, Mr. Libby is the son of Samuel F. and Anna (Kilfeder) Libby. His father, born

in Gray, Cumberland County, in 1867, spent most of his life in Portland, where until his recent retirement he was a merchant clothier. His mother, a native of Portland, died in 1927. The future jurist and civic leader received his early education in Portland's public schools. Following his graduation from the Portland High School in 1913 he prepared for the bar at the University of Maine in Orono. In 1917 he was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Laws and in the same year was admitted to practice.

Mr. Libby has been in general practice of the law in Portland since that time. His present offices are at 465 Congress Street. World War I, of course, interrupted his career, for he served in the United States Navy from 1917 to 1919 with the rank of ensign. In World War II, however, he served in the United States Army, in which he was commissioned a major.

Mr. Libby began his civilian public service in 1931, when he became Recorder of the City of Portland. This office he held until 1936 when he moved upward into the Municipal Court, where he served as a Justice until 1940. In that year he was elected to the State Senate at Augusta and he was a member of that body until 1942. In 1942, he was named to the City Council of Portland, and on this body served until 1945. In December, 1944, he was elected chairman of the council, and he held that office until the expiration of his term. He is a member of the Ralph D. Caldwell Post, American Legion; the Maine Bar Association, the Cumberland County Bar Association and Deering Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Portland. He worships in the Congregational Church.

On September 2, 1922, at Portland, Mr. Libby married Emma M. Plummer, the

daughter of Fred and Josephine (Lane) Plummer of Portland. They are the parents of four children: 1. Virginia P. Libby, now Mrs. Robert Purdy, born on June 23, 1924. 2. Vernon C. Libby, born on February 4, 1926. 3. Robert C. Libby, born on March 8, 1929. 4. Anna J. Libby, born February 4, 1931. All the children are natives of Portland. Mrs. Purdy, a graduate of Deering High School and the University of Maine, holds the degree of Bachelor of Science from the latter. She and Mr. Purdy, who is a New Yorker, are the parents of a daughter, Jacqueline Purdy. Vernon C. Libby is also a graduate of Deering High School. He attended Bridgton Academy and is now (1949) at the University of Maine. In World War II he was with the United States Navy in the Pacific Theater of Operations, with the rating of signalman third class. Robert C. Libby, also a graduate of Deering High School, is now, too, a student at the University of Maine. The youngest child, Anna J. Libby, is now a student at Deering High School.

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#### **PALMER, Edward C.**

Conducting a successful wholesale fish and lobster business in the center of an area noted for its sea foods, Edward C. Palmer has been identified with this industry since the beginning of his career. The enterprise, conducted in his own name, makes its headquarters on Custom House Wharf in Portland, its second address during its five years as a successful going concern.

Mr. Palmer was born at New Harbor, Maine, May 6, 1908, son of William J. and Sadie (Carter) Palmer. His father, a native of New Harbor in the town of Bristol, is now associated with his son in business, but prior to that time followed the sea all his life. His wife, the

former Sadie Carter, is also still living. She is a native of Loudes Island off the shore of Maine.

The family moved to Portland in 1924, and there Edward C. Palmer completed his high school education. His first business connection preceded his graduation from high school, and he identified himself even at that early date with the fish industry, becoming an employee of the Portland Fish Company in 1923. He remained with that company until 1932, in which year he associated himself with the Dirigo Fish Company. In 1935 he terminated this connection to join the Maine Sea Foods Company, Incorporated.

Thus he had gained ample experience toward the founding of his own business when, on June 1, 1943, he established in his own name a firm dealing wholesale in fish and lobsters. It was located at Widgery's Wharf in the city of Portland. As trade prospered and increased in volume, Mr. Palmer increased his holdings, in May, 1948, through the purchase of the N. F. Trefether Company, which had a location at 37 Custom House Wharf. In addition to incorporating that firm's activities with his own, Mr. Palmer adopted its address as that of E. C. Palmer, and the location has proven an advantageous one.

Edward C. Palmer is a member of Hiram Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Lodge No. 180, South Portland, and the Hiram Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons. He holds the Thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and is a member of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, located in Lewiston.

On December 2, 1924, at Portland, Edward C. Palmer married Mildred E. Tolman, a widow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Staples of North Deer Isle.



### **JOHN K. PAPPAS and GEORGE MAGELES**

Owners of the Puritan Tea Room of Portland, which serves three to four thousand patrons daily, John K. Pappas and George Mageles have been in the restaurant business in Portland since 1920 and have made a unique place for themselves in the city. Both the Pappas and Mageles families have long been identified with the restaurant and confectionery business. Both families came from Greece and settled in Manchester, New Hampshire, in 1910. The original store, called the Puritan Confectionery Company, was established at Manchester in 1916 by Mr. Pappas, Sr., and subsequently became the Puritan Tea Room of Manchester. The family associates now operate restaurants in Concord, New Hampshire, and Lawrence, Massachusetts, in addition to the original business in Manchester.

John K. Pappas was born in Greece, June 21, 1893. Both John K. Pappas and George Mageles, after attending grade and high school at Manchester, New Hampshire, served their apprenticeship in the family business there. Then, coming to Portland on November 15, 1920, the two young men purchased the Apollo Soda Shop at 510 Congress Street, and later, in 1936, seeking larger quarters, moved to 560 Congress Street, where today they serve from three to four thousand meals in the Puritan Tea Room daily. John K. Pappas and George Mageles are members of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Maine Publicity Bureau.

Mr. Pappas belongs to Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church of Portland, and is a member of the Portland Young Men's Christian Association. Fraternally he is affiliated with Deering Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Mt. Sinai

Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Portland Council, Portland Commandery, Knights Templar, and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Lewiston, and is a member of the Masonic Club.

On October 15, 1921 at Montreal, John K. Pappas married Chrysoula Concounetis, a graduate of Bradford Junior College at Haverhill, Massachusetts and of Wellesley College in the class of 1928. Mr. and Mrs. Pappas have two children: 1. Nicholas, born in Portland, August 6, 1929, a graduate of Deering High School in Portland and now attending Harvard College. 2. Vasiliky, born in Portland, January 6, 1932, now a student at Deering High School.

George Mageles is affiliated with Deering Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Mt. Sinai Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Portland Council, Portland Commandery, Knights Templar and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and is a member of the Masonic Club. He belongs to the Portland Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Mageles is a member of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church.

George Mageles married, on January 1, 1927, Marie McCarick of Portland. They are the parents of three children: 1. Ted, born October 8, 1929. 2. William, born March 2, 1931. Both of these children are students at Tilton Preparatory School, Tilton, New Hampshire. 3. Richard, born November 27, 1935, now attending Deering High School.

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### **HOLLAND, Edward Winfield, M.D.**

Identified with the medical profession in Sanford, York County, since 1934, Dr. Edward Winfield Holland is well-known in southern Maine and contiguous New Hampshire as a skilled physician and





*Edward W. Holland*



surgeon whose long service in World War II contributed to the broader knowledge and experience he devotes to his work. This interruption of his activities covered nearly four years, most of the period having been spent overseas in Europe. As a citizen he is associated with many community projects and groups, and as a hobby engaged in the breeding of Holstein cattle with exceptional success and reputation.

Born in Boston, Massachusetts, on May 17, 1905, Dr. Holland is the son of Edward and Mary (Henderson) Holland, his father being an importer of woolens in the Massachusetts metropolis. He prepared for college in Colby Academy, New Hampshire, and entered Harvard University, from where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1927. Going to the Yale School of Medicine for his technical education, he was graduated a Doctor of Medicine, with the class of 1932. After being an intern in the Atlantic City, New Jersey, Hospital, and resident physician at Christ Hospital, Jersey City, New Jersey, he initiated a practice of medicine and surgery in Sanford, in 1934.

Dr. Holland is very much the student in his profession, keen about the progress being made in it and interested in research. Something of this is indicated by his memberships in the American Medical Association, the Maine State Medical Association, and the York County Medical Society. Although he no doubt failed to appreciate giving up his practice for military service, once he had enlisted he derived a great deal of experience from it. Dr. Holland was attached to the noteworthy 67th General Hospital Unit, made up in part of professional men from the Maine General Hospital of Portland. With the rank of

major, he served in the European Theater of Operations. Upon returning to civilian life, he resumed his practice in Sanford, and his active participation in community affairs. He was president of the Sanford Rotary Club, 1948-49, and is a member of the American Legion. He is of the Protestant Episcopal faith and contributes liberally to charitable and religious projects. His very practical hobby is the raising of registered Holstein cattle.

At Wyckoff, New Jersey, on June 21, 1932, Dr. Edward Winfield Holland married Edith Van der Werker, daughter of the late Herbert and Edith (Van Buskirk) Van der Werker.

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#### **SMAHA, Herbert K.**

Prominent Portland grocer, Herbert K. Smaha is treasurer and general manager of Columbia Markets, a chain of supermarkets that with some justice lays claim to being among "Portland's leading food stores." Mr. Smaha was initiated into the grocery business at the age of fourteen, and he has been very successful in building up a flourishing business. A lifelong baseball fan, Mr. Smaha is a stockholder in the Portland Pilots, the city's baseball nine, and a member of the New England League. He is active in a number of business and civic organizations.

The son of Kalil J. and Sarah (Erban) Smaha, Herbert K. Smaha was born July 31, 1900 in Lawrence, Massachusetts. He attended the grammar schools of Lawrence and Methuen, and at fourteen he left school and went to work as a clerk in a local grocery store in Lawrence. Next came a variety of experiences as a shoe store clerk, and store clerk at the Pacific Print Works. Young Smaha also took a hand at repairing automobiles. In 1919,



in his twentieth year, he purchased his first grocery store, at 435 Broadway in Lawrence. This grocery business was a family affair, being conducted by his father and his brothers and sisters as well as himself. Incidentally, there were seven children in the Smaha family. After four years of experience in this store, Herbert K. Smaha, at the time of his marriage in 1923, purchased a store opposite the post office in Lawrence, and this he conducted himself as a grocery business until 1929, when he sold out. For the next year or so he was associated as half owner in the firm of Charles Hajjar Company, wholesale fruit and produce dealers on Franklin Street in Lawrence.

In July, 1932, he sold his interest in this business to Charles Hajjar, and in September of that year came to Portland and purchased a grocery store at 651 Congress Street, which was the original Columbia Market. He prospered, and as business increased a second store was opened, at 101 Ocean Street, South Portland. This was in 1938, and later that year the largest unit of the chain was opened, at 334 Forest Avenue, Portland. In 1948 the Columbia Appliance Store was established at 665 Congress Street. This year a new Columbia Market is being opened at 227 Main Street, Lewiston.

Mr. Smaha is a member of the Super-Market Institute. He is a member of the board of governors of the Portland Club and belongs also to the Lions Club, the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the United States Chamber of Commerce. He and his family are members of the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church of Portland. Mr. Smaha's favorite recreations are boating and fishing at Sebago Lake, where he has a summer home, and baseball games, in which he takes a great interest. In February, 1949, he became

one of the stockholders in the local baseball nine, the Portland Pilots.

On June 3, 1923 at Methuen, Massachusetts, he was married to Nellie Jean Kelley of Newfoundland. Mrs. Smaha is active in the Women's Portland Club and Chamber of Commerce. Mr. and Mrs. Smaha are the parents of four children: 1. Albert H. Smaha, born in Methuen, March 6, 1924. He graduated from Deering High School in Portland and attended the University of Maine for two years. He then entered the United States Army as a private for service in World War II and served in the European Theater of Operation, being discharged with rank of captain. While at Deering High School Albert Smaha was captain of the football, baseball and basketball teams during his senior year, and at the University of Maine he was a star quarterback on the varsity team, and also played baseball. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity. He is now associated with his father in the business of Columbia Markets. While he was in Germany with the armed forces, Albert H. Smaha was married to Jeanne Brooks of Malone, New York, a nurse with rank of lieutenant in the United States Army Medical Corps. Albert H. and Jeanne (Brooks) Smaha have two children: Robert Bruce Smaha and Sandra Smaha. 2. Emily, born in Methuen, Massachusetts, March 5, 1926. She graduated from Deering High School in Portland and is now a student at the University of Maine. 3. Donald, born March 5, 1926 at Methuen, Massachusetts. He graduated from Deering High School in Portland and entered the University of Maine, where he is now studying. He interrupted his university course to serve in the United States Army during World War II and saw service in Germany. He is a member of Kappa

Sigma fraternity. 4. Norma, born October 24, 1932 in Lawrence, Massachusetts, a student at Deering High School.

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#### **FAY, Nathan C.**

As the head of Nathan C. Fay & Company, investment securities, of Portland, Nathan C. Fay has gained a reputation for integrity, business acumen, sound judgment, and a readiness to serve the people of his city, not alone in finance, but in many phases of its life and affairs.

A native of Portland, he was born on April 16, 1906, son of William Henry and Mary (Howard) Fay, both now deceased. Nathan C. Fay was educated in the grammar and high schools of Portland, the University of Illinois, and the Peabody Law School. Entering the investment securities business in 1929, in the Portland office of Blake Brothers and Company, he later was with Brown Brothers, Harriman and Company, as manager of the Maine headquarters, all on his way to making a career in finance and investments. Later Mr. Fay was vice president and manager for Blyth and Company, Inc., and since April, 1938, has been the head of his own Nathan C. Fay & Company, with offices at 208 Middle Street, Portland. He or his firm, is a member of the Investment Bankers Association of America, the National Association of Security Dealers, Inc., the National Security Traders Association, the Boston Securities Traders Association, and the Maine Investment Dealers Association.

In Portland life, Mr. Fay is an active member of the Executives Club and the Portland Toastmasters Club. Fraternally he is a Thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason; member of Ancient Landmark Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Greenleaf Chapter, Royal Arch

Masons; Portland Council, Royal and Select Masters; Portland Commandery, Knights Templar; and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Portland Shrine Club. Mr. Fay attends the State Street Congregational Church, and is a member of its Men's Club.

On May 3, 1937, at Portland, Nathan C. Fay married Marguerite R. Fortin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Florido Fortin, of Brunswick. Mrs. Fay, a lawyer, serves as corporation clerk of Nathan C. Fay & Company, and was Republican representative to the Maine State Legislature from Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Fay are the parents of two sons: 1. Richard Henry, born at Portland, July 11, 1938, currently attending The Waynflete School. 2. Nathan Calvin, Jr., born October 10, 1939, also attending The Waynflete School.

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#### **NAPPI, John**

The name John Nappi is honored as belonging to one of the prominent business men and exemplary citizens of Portland. He established some years ago the National Distributors, Inc., of which he remains an executive; is the proprietor of the Victoria Hotel in the city; and owns and manages a farm at Yarmouth.

Born at Naples, Italy, in February, 1896, he sought opportunity in the United States as a youth of seventeen years, and with the vigor, optimism and courageous enterprise of his inheritance, went to work to establish himself in the New World, to learn a new language and to adopt new ideas and customs. In all of these ambitions he has succeeded admirably. His first endeavor was in the construction line, and later he founded his own business as a contractor and builder.

It was after a brief stay in New York



that John Nappi came to Portland, and gradually entered actively in its affairs. In 1933 near the depth of the American financial depression, he had the faith in the future and courage of his enterprise, to establish the National Distributors, Inc., of which he is treasurer and general manager. With the progress of the country and Portland he has kept pace, in 1944 building the National Distributors plant on Forest Avenue, which is rated as one of the most modern and efficient in New England. It serves the city and a wide territory exceptionally well. Mr. Nappi is also the proprietor of the Victoria Hotel in Portland, a place where fine hospitality reigns; and he owns and operates the "Blue Spruce Farm," near Yarmouth. Recently Mr. Nappi has established a new business, the Cott Distributing Company.

John Nappi is very proud of his fine family and the parts his sons and daughters play in the life and affairs of Maine and their country, civilian and military. He married Miss Lucretia Montecalvo, who came from Italy at an early age, and they are the parents of fifteen children: 1. Samuel, who served as Quartermaster, in the United States Coast Artillery, 1940-45, during World War II; now manager of a cafe in Portland. 2. Carol, who served from 1943 to 1945 with the anti-aircraft in the European Theater of Operations, and was honored with five battle stars; now associated with an uncle, Michael Cremo, in the baking business in Portland. 3. Nicholas, a World War II veteran, who served as staff sergeant in the Pacific Area, 1942-46; now sales manager at National Distributors, Inc. 4. Anthony, who served as private, first class, European Theater of Operations, 1943-45, and received five battle stars; now serving as plant manager at National Distributors,

Inc. 5. Michael, assistant manager at National Distributors, Inc. 6. Christina, who married James Egan, of Brookline, Massachusetts. 7. Lucy, at home. 8. Salvatore, a student at Deering High School. 9. John, Jr., who enlisted in the Merchant Marines in 1943, and is still on active duty. 10. Frank. 11. Joseph. 12. Albert. 13. Mary. 14. Philip. 15. Rose. The last five children are all attending Portland schools. Mr. and Mrs. Nappi have six grandchildren.

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#### **HUSSEY, Philip William**

In his capacity as treasurer of the Hussey Manufacturing Company, Inc., Philip William Hussey holds a position of prominence in the industrial life of North Berwick and is widely known throughout New England in the structural steel and ornamental iron industry.

Mr. Hussey was born December 31, 1891, in North Berwick, York County, son of Augustine J. and Helen M. (Mansfield) Hussey. His father, who was born on September 2, 1866, is president of the Hussey Manufacturing Company, Inc.; his mother was born in Brownfield, Maine, in 1866. The Hussey company has long been in the family's possession. It was founded in 1835 by William Hussey; Timothy B. Hussey later assumed control until 1895, whereupon he was succeeded by his sons, Arthur William and Augustine Hussey. In 1914 the business was incorporated in its present form by Augustine J. Hussey and his son, Philip W. Hussey.

Philip W. Hussey attended school in North Berwick. After completing his public school studies, he entered Oak Grove Seminary, in Vassalboro, where he was graduated. He had his college training at Colby College, Waterville, where he received the Bachelor of Science de-





*Philip W. Hussey.*



gree in 1913. He then became associated with his father in the conduct of the Hussey Manufacturing Company, so continuing until 1917. In that year his career was somewhat interrupted by his entry into the American Friends' Unit of the American Red Cross, in which he continued to serve in Europe until the end of World War I.

Returning to civilian life at the conclusion of hostilities, Mr. Hussey resumed his work with the Hussey Manufacturing Company, of which he subsequently became general manager. When the company was incorporated anew at the time of a re-organization in 1947, he was made treasurer and general manager, so continuing to the time of writing.

In addition to his other undertakings, Mr. Hussey is active in public affairs. Formerly he was chairman of the Board of Education of North Berwick. He is a director of the Maine Publicity Bureau; a trustee of the Maine Maritime School; a director of the Eastern States Exposition at Springfield, Massachusetts; and has recently been elected president of The Structural Steel Fabricators of New England. He is active in the Society of Friends, and his wife likewise takes a lively interest in civic and social affairs in North Berwick.

Philip William Hussey married (first), in 1930, Elizabeth Bradstreet Taylor, who died in May, 1933. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Philip William, Jr., born June 15, 1931, graduated from Gould Academy in Bethel, and entered Colby College in Waterville in 1949. 2. Peter Augustine, born April 21, 1933, entered Phillips Academy, Exeter, New Hampshire. In 1942 Mr. Hussey married (second) Marion Olive Allen, and to them a daughter, Charlotte Anne, was born on December 20, 1945.

#### **DAY, O. Kenneth, D.O.**

Osteopathic physician and surgeon practicing in South Windham, Dr. O. Kenneth Day established himself in that community after extensive experience elsewhere in Maine, and in Missouri, where he completed his professional preparation. In addition to developing an extensive private practice, Dr. Day is a member of the staff of the Maine Osteopathic Hospital at Portland. He is prominent in fraternal as well as professional organizations.

Dr. Day is a native of Muscatine, Iowa, born December 17, 1904. His father, Addison M. Day, was born in 1867 at Muscatine, Iowa. He moved to Mexico, Missouri in 1910, and both he and his wife, the former Myrta Brookheart, reside there now and manage a farm. It was in Mexico, Missouri, that Kenneth Day completed his secondary education, and after graduation from high school entered Culver Stockton College at Canton, Missouri. There he completed his academic and premedical training, and went on to the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery at Kirksville, Missouri, of which he is a graduate.

Dr. Day first established practice in the state of Missouri, locating in Dalton, where he remained from 1928 to 1931. In the latter year he came east, settled in Harrison, Maine, and there continued practice. From 1944 to 1947, Dr. Day practiced in the larger city of Portland. His practice in South Windham dates from 1947, although he has retained his staff position at the Maine Osteopathic Hospital in Portland.

Dr. Day is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, and of the Osteopathic Associations of the state of Maine and Cumberland County. Fraternally, he is a member of Hebron Lodge



No. 354 of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Mexico, Missouri, and in Maine is affiliated with the order's Oriental Lodge No. 13 at Bridgton. He belongs also to the Oriental Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, at Bridgton, and Oriental Commandery No. 22, Knights Templar, in the same city. In religious faith, Dr. Day is a Congregationalist.

At Gorham, Maine, November 22, 1947, Dr. O. Kenneth Day married Millicent Richards of Wayne, Maine. Mrs. Day is a native of Wayne, and graduated from Bridgton Academy. She is the daughter of Carlton Richards and Flossie Fish, of North Wayne.

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#### **STOCKFORD, Rev. Donald**

Since 1940 pastor of the Christian Temple at Lubec, and currently president of the New England Convention of the Disciples of Christ Churches, Rev. Donald Stockford was born February 18, 1907 in St. John, New Brunswick, the son of Edwin Noble and Florence Jennie (McEachern) Stockford. His father was an electrical contractor.

Mr. Stockford is a graduate of the Toronto Bible College of Toronto, Ontario, where he was a member of the class of 1934. In August, 1934, he was ordained as a minister of the church body known as the Disciples of Christ, and from 1934 to 1940 served as pastor of the Weymouth, Nova Scotia, Church of the Disciples of Christ. In 1940 he came to Maine and since that time has served as pastor of the Disciples of Christ church at Lubec, known as the Christian Temple. Rev. Mr. Stockford is a past president of the Maritime Convention of the Disciples of Christ Churches and served as president of the New England Convention in 1942, 1943 and again in 1949. He is secre-

tary of the Quoddy Ministerial Association.

Since coming to Lubec he has identified himself with this community and its welfare and taken a very active part in civic affairs. He serves as chairman of the Lubec branch of the American Red Cross, serves on the board of directors of the Girl Scouts, and is scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop No. 152. During World War II he was in the forefront of all patriotic work and did much to further the success of the war bond drives. Fraternally Rev. Mr. Stockford is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, is a Past Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. He is also a Grange member, a member of the Lubec Chamber of Commerce, of which he has been president since 1944, and a member also of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce and president of this organization since 1947. He has made a host of friends since coming to Maine and is very highly respected by all the people of Lubec.

He married on July 9, 1935 at St. John, New Brunswick, Marjorie Agnes Titus, the daughter of Theo F. and Maude Titus, and they have two children: Donald Oliver, born April 23, 1936, and David Noble, born November 4, 1942.

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#### **FOGG, Sanford Leroy**

Sanford Leroy Fogg, who has practiced law in Augusta since 1931, has served his fellow citizens as judge, councilman and mayor.

He was born February 22, 1905 in Bath, the son of Sanford Leroy and Jessie Katherine Fogg. His father, Sanford Leroy Fogg the elder, was a distinguished attorney at law and Deputy Attorney General of the state of Maine.

After graduating from Cony High School in Augusta in 1923, Mr. Fogg





Harry L Stratton



entered Bowdoin College at Brunswick and in 1927 graduated from this institution, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then studied law at the Boston University Law School, taking the degree of Bachelor of Laws there in 1930, and was admitted to the Maine Bar that same year. For a year after graduation from law school, he practiced in Portland. He then began practice in Augusta and has continued to practice there ever since, except for the years 1942-1944, which he spent on active duty as a lieutenant in the United States Navy. He is now a lieutenant in the United States Naval Reserve.

In addition to building up his legal practice Mr. Fogg has from the start taken an active part in civic affairs. He served as judge of the municipal court of the city of Hallowell from 1937 to 1941, as a member of the Augusta city council from 1935 to 1940 and president of that body in 1939-1940, and as mayor of the city of Augusta in 1941-1942 and again in 1945-1946. Mr. Fogg is a member of the Kennebec County and Maine State bar associations. He is a member of Zeta Psi college fraternity, a member and past president of the Augusta Kiwanis Club, a member of the American Legion and of the Augusta Country Club, and is a corporator of the Augusta Savings Bank. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

On September 22, 1938, at Augusta he married Dorothy J. Viles, the daughter of Blaine S. and Ethel J. Viles. Mr. and Mrs. Fogg have two children: 1. Blaine Viles, born March 29, 1940. 2. Sanford Leroy, Jr., born July 31, 1946.

#### **STRATTON, Harry Langley**

Harry Langley Stratton is president

and treasurer of the H. C. Stratton Company of Ellsworth, which was founded by his father in 1916 and was incorporated in 1946. Mr. Stratton is also president and treasurer of the H. C. Stratton Company's store at Patten, which was established in 1941, and the store at Lincoln, which was established in 1942, and of the Stratton Hardware Company of Ellsworth, established in 1946.

Harry Langley Stratton was born at Ellsworth, December 29, 1898, the son of Harry Clifton and Annie (Langley) Stratton. The Stratton family is of English descent. Mr. Stratton's father went into the merchandising business in Ellsworth in 1916. Harry Langley Stratton graduated from Waltham High School in 1917. He became associated with his father in merchandising at Ellsworth and has been identified with this business ever since. The H. C. Stratton Company was incorporated in 1946, and Harry Langley Stratton is president and treasurer of the company. He is a director of the Hancock County Cold Storage Company and a director of the Liberty National Bank. Mr. Stratton is chairman of the Ellsworth School Board and a trustee of the Eastern Memorial Hospital. He is currently serving as president of the Ellsworth Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Ellsworth Luncheon Club. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Royal Arch Masons, Knights Templar, and Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a Republican and a Congregationalist.

In June, 1921, at Bucksport, Harry Langley Stratton was married to Celia Moulton, the daughter of Harry L. and Eva Moulton of Bucksport. Mr. and Mrs. Stratton have two children: 1. Barbara June Stratton, born October 29, 1922. She attended Ellsworth High School, Mac-

Duffie School for Girls at Springfield, Massachusetts, and Southern Seminary and Junior College at Buena Vista, Virginia. She is now with the H. C. Stratton Company of Ellsworth as manager of the candy department. 2. Alan Langley Stratton, born April 21, 1930, who attended Ellsworth High School and New Hampton Preparatory School. A graduate of Nichols Junior College, class of 1949, he has been associated with the Stratton Hardware Company as assistant manager since August, 1949.

#### **LEONARD, John Sherman**

Becoming president and treasurer of the D. W. Adams Company at the age of twenty-eight, a year following the death of its founder, D. W. Adams, John Sherman Leonard quickly proved his ability as a business and civic leader, and has assumed a role of leadership in many of the varied organizations with which he has become identified.

Mr. Leonard, the son of Ralph Sherman and Lucile (Holman) Leonard, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, December 22, 1906. He spent much of his youth in Rochester, Indiana. His father was associated with the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company of Akron, Ohio, as assistant treasurer.

Mr. Leonard graduated from Indiana University in 1929. For the next three and one half years he worked for the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company in the Boston branch. In the fall of 1932 he entered the merchandising field in the employ of the D. W. Adams Company, and on the death of Mr. Adams in January, 1934, he assumed the responsibilities of its management.

He has proven himself a thoroughly grounded leader with progressive views, not only in business but in civic affairs

of the city and state. The company has continued its trend of prosperity and under Mr. Leonard's direction many new departments have been added as well as a branch store opened in Winthrop, Maine. The company celebrated its forty-eighth anniversary in 1948.

The concern was known as Whitman and Adams, located in the Meonian Block in Augusta. In 1913 Mr. Adams bought out Mr. Whitman and the name was changed to D. W. Adams Company, and in January, 1920, he further enlarged the scope of his interests by buying the building and stock of the Buzzell and Weston Company where the firm is now located. In September, 1925, he again enlarged his field by acquiring the stock and fixtures of the E. K. Day Company, in Rumford, Maine. The name was not changed and he sold it in 1930. In 1919 he acquired the Bell Brothers interest in Gardiner and later the H. W. Warner Store at Hallowell, both of which have been operated under the name of D. W. Adams Company.

John Sherman Leonard has taken an active interest in the political affairs of his locality and state, and is a loyal Republican in his views. He is past president of the State Merchants Association, past president of the Rotary Club, past president of the Kennebec Valley Executive Club, past president of the Augusta-Hallowell Chamber of Commerce, and trustee and past president of the Young Men's Christian Association of Augusta. He is a director of the Maine Publicity Bureau, chairman of the Augusta Parking District, director of the Augusta Athletic Association, and committee member for the New Augusta Bridge. Interested in the progress of the Girl Scout organization, Mr. Leonard is past treasurer of the Girl Scouts of America for Augusta,



Hallowell, and Gardiner. He also is a director of the Pine Tree Society for Crippled Children and on the advisory board of the Depositors Trust Company. He is a member of the Newcomen Society of England, and his fraternity is Phi Gamma Delta.

Mr. Leonard is affiliated with Bethlehem Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. Holding the Thirty-second degree in the Masonic order, he is a member of Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Leonard and his family are communicants of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, and he is a member of the vestry.

At Augusta, January 28, 1933, John Sherman Leonard married Hope Sparhawk Adams, daughter of Delbert Weston and Alice Faulkner Adams. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard are the parents of two children: 1. John Sherman, Jr., born August 8, 1940. 2. Judith Adams, born August 29, 1945. The family makes its home at 58 Green Street, in Augusta.

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#### **ROGERS, Jack A.**

In the field of life insurance in Waterville, Jack A. Rogers is an outstanding figure. He is one of the many attracted to New England in pursuit of their vocations, who have remained to become citizens active in community life. Mr. Rogers is a native of New Jersey, born in 1917, the son of Walter H. Rogers, who is associated with the M. W. Kellogg Construction Company.

Educated in the Brunswick High School, Jack A. Rogers later attended Maine Central Institute, at Pittsfield, and the University of Texas. He also has taken special insurance courses at the University of Connecticut. His first busi-

ness experience of importance was with the Equitable Life Insurance Company, at Texas City, Texas. Starting as an agent for this big corporation, he advanced to field assistant at Lewiston, and since 1947 has been district manager for Equitable Life in Waterville. An especially successful insurance man, Mr. Rogers won the honor of belonging to the Quarter Million Dollar Club in the years 1945 and 1947.

The career of Jack A. Rogers was interrupted during World War II by naval service that included two years of overseas duty, chiefly in the Pacific Theater of Operations. In Waterville, he has entered a number of phases of organizational groups, being a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club, and is a former president of the Lewiston-Auburn Junior Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Life Underwriters Association, belongs to the Waterville Country Club, and is fraternally affiliated with the Masonic Order. He attends and is a trustee of the Fairfield Baptist Church. Numbered among his sources of recreation are hunting and golf.

At Lewiston, on June 4, 1946, Jack A. Rogers married Geraldine C. Miller, of Bingham, daughter of Gilbert Miller. Mrs. Rogers is a registered nurse.

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#### **BIRD, Stanley L.**

Having developed his own successful practice as attorney at law in Waterville where he has been located since his graduation from the law school of Bowdoin College in 1930, Stanley L. Bird has made his name well-known also in public office, and as counsel for various organizations. In both private practice and in the public phases of his career, he has proven himself an able and well-trained legalist.

Born in Boston, May 17, 1908, Stanley



L. Bird is a son of Walter and Emma (Tarbell) Bird, and he received his public school education in the city of his birth. He thereafter entered Bowdoin College, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts upon graduation in 1930. Coming in that year to Waterville, he has remained in practice there since, maintaining offices at 152 Main Street. Mr. Bird is attorney for the Federal Trust Company of Waterville, and has served as deputy sheriff of Kennebec County. He has had other diversified public experience which has earned him a sound reputation for competence in public office. As assistant attorney general of the state of Maine, he conducted a special investigation of the Health and Welfare Department, for the state legislature, in which his keen judgment, thorough legal training, and energetic prosecution of the case recommended him strongly to the citizens of the state. He has served the federal government also, in the capacity of special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Stanley L. Bird is an active member of the Waterville Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and he belongs to Chi Psi fraternity. Professionally, Mr. Bird is affiliated with the Kennebec County Bar Association, and the Maine Bar Association. As a diversion from his professional activities, he enjoys such outdoor sports as fishing and hunting, and has since his college days been a football enthusiast.

Stanley L. Bird married, in Bingham, Phyllis Whittemore, and they have become the parents of three children: Philip S., Bruce L., and Douglas E.

#### **MacQUINN, Harold Joseph**

In the general contracting business in Bar Harbor since 1931, Harold MacQuinn

has done road-building, landscaping, and other contracting work within a radius of one hundred miles of Bar Harbor. He is active in local affairs and served as selectman from 1944 to 1948.

Harold Joseph MacQuinn was born May 4, 1910, in Bar Harbor, the son of Arthur L. and Tillie (Malcason) MacQuinn. Arthur L. MacQuinn, who is now retired, served as fire chief of Bar Harbor for thirty-eight years. Mrs. Tillie (Malcason) MacQuinn died in 1936.

After graduating from the Bar Harbor High School in 1929, Harold Joseph MacQuinn worked for two years, from 1929 to 1931, on the Rockefeller carriage roads at Bar Harbor. In 1931 he established his own business as a general contractor. Beginning in depression days, when many established businesses were facing great difficulties, Mr. MacQuinn nevertheless was able to build up a substantial business in the next few years. He now employs thirty to thirty-five persons and operates seventeen trucks, doing work throughout the entire Bar Harbor area and within a radius of one hundred miles. Road-building, landscaping, ready-mix concrete work and foundations are Mr. MacQuinn's specialties. He is president of the Frenchmans Bay Boating Company, a director of the Bar Harbor Hotel Company, Inc., a director of the Bar Harbor Land Company and a director of the First National Bank of Bar Harbor.

A Republican, he served on the board of selectmen from 1944 to 1948. He is a member of the Bar Harbor Fire Department, the Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, Maine Good Roads Association and Maine Publicity Bureau, and fraternally is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Royal Arch Masons, Knights Templar, and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of



Harold Mac Quinn





the Mystic Shrine at Bangor. He belongs to St. Xavier's Episcopal Church.

On February 25, 1933, at Bar Harbor, Harold Joseph MacQuinn was married to Henrietta Ronald of Bar Harbor, the daughter of Byron and Josie Ronald. Mr. and Mrs. MacQuinn are the parents of four children: Ronald Paul, born May 26, 1938; Rebecca Jane, born April 19, 1941; Martha Lois, born August 16, 1944; and Ruth Irene, born July 13, 1946.

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**BAKER, Hon. Ray S.**

In the fields of law and public service, the Hon. Ray S. Baker of Gardiner is prominent. He has been a practicing attorney in the city since he graduated from law school, and his interest in good government has found expression in municipal offices and the Maine Senate. Born on August 24, 1911, he is a native and lifelong resident of Gardiner. His father, Oscar T. Baker, is well-known in business circles as a salesman.

Ray S. Baker prepared for higher education in the schools of his birthplace, and completed his formal education in Bowdoin College. His law studies were pursued in the Peabody Law School. Establishing himself in the practice of his profession, he is ranked highly by colleagues, especially among the younger legal fraternity in Gardiner. His clients are drawn from a wide area and varied classes of people. Mr. Baker has been city solicitor of Gardiner, court recorder, and twice has been elected to the Maine Legislature (1947-1949). He has rendered constructive service in the Senate, where he has sponsored some important measures. He is a member of the Kennebec County Bar Association, and the Maine State Bar Association, being secretary of the Kennebec organization.

In local affairs, Mr. Baker is an incor-

porator of the Gardiner Savings Bank, and is a Rotarian, constantly to the fore in projects that make for the prosperity and welfare of the community. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Gardiner Lodge No. 1293, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He attends the Protestant Episcopal Church. For recreation he enjoys hunting and fishing, and as a former baseball and basketball player, retains an active interest in these sports.

In 1935, at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, the Hon. Ray S. Baker married Ethelyn A. Stubbs, and they are the parents of two children: Jane R., and Philip J.

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**BROWN, Francis E.**

One of the interesting examples of a long-continued family business is the James Walker and Sons Company, of Gardiner, founded by Captain James Walker, in the first year of the Civil War. However closely controlled, it never was averse to giving opportunities to newcomers. This was well illustrated in recent years by the accession of Francis E. Brown, young naval veteran of World War II, who is currently assistant treasurer and general manager of the concern.

Mr. Brown is a native of Gardiner, born on December 3, 1923, and educated in the grade and high schools of his birthplace, and Kents Hill Junior College. Athletically inclined, he played football and basketball as a student, and retains his love of sports in general which started at that time. Enlisting in the United States Navy, he had three years of service in a number of theaters of conflict during World War II, as a gunner's mate. Upon his return to civilian life, he entered the employ of James Walker and Sons Company, of which, as already indicated, he is assistant treasurer and general mana-

ger. This concern, started in 1861, utilized the abundant lumber resources of the region in the manufacture of boxes. With the increasing use of paper materials for packaging, the company changed in 1918 to the making of window and door frames, and a few other prefabricated essentials of house construction. The business has always remained on the same site in Gardiner.

Mr. Brown is coming to the fore in civic activities, and is a popular figure in varied circles. He attends the Methodist Episcopal Church.

On February 7, 1949, at Gardiner, Francis E. Brown married Lucille Buckley.

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#### **EMERY, Paul D.**

Coming to the Bates Manufacturing Company in Lewiston, with a wide background of experience in the textile industry, Paul D. Emery is now manager of the Hill Division of this organization.

After completing his preliminary schooling, Mr. Emery attended high school at Keene, New Hampshire, and had two years at the University of New Hampshire. He then left the classroom to enter the cotton mill business as an apprentice in 1929. In the summer of this year, he went to the Boston Manufacturing Company, which operated the oldest complete cotton mill in the United States.

So fascinated did Mr. Emery become with the cotton business that he continued with that same company. The concern was eventually liquidated and Mr. Emery next came to Maine where textile mills were then thriving. He became associated first with the Pepperell Mills in Biddeford. It was in 1931 that he came to the Bates Manufacturing Company, forming his first association with the Hill Division. In 1934 he trans-

ferred his connection to the Bates Division, in which he was engaged in designing and developing fabrics. Spending a decade in that branch of the work, Mr. Emery returned to the Hill Division in 1944, and four years later was made its manager, so continuing to the time of writing.

Mr. Emery has also interested himself in social and civic life in Lewiston and this vicinity of Maine. He belongs to the Rotary Club and to a number of outdoor recreational clubs. Many forms of outdoor activity interest him, notably bird hunting, fishing and skiing.

In Falmouth Foreside, Paul D. Emery married Dorothy Sweeney. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Geoffrey. 2. Peter. 3. Glenn.

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#### **BUZZELL, Hodgdon Charles**

A native of Waldo County who made it the center of his activities throughout the seventy years of his life, Judge Hodgdon Charles Buzzell served his fellow citizens with such zeal and skill as to become a figure of statewide importance. An attorney who in his latter years was judge of the Probate Court in Waldo County, with headquarters in Belfast, he served with distinction in both houses of the State Legislature, and at one time was president of the Senate and later Speaker of the House. He was one of Maine's leading Republicans as well as a top figure in the state organization of the Knights of Pythias.

Judge Buzzell was born in Monroe on June 17, 1878, the son of Charles and Sarah Buzzell. Among the institutions at which he obtained his education was Hampden Academy. In his early years he taught school and sold insurance to get a start. He read law with his father, and the two were admitted to the Maine State





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Bar at the same time. After opening a law office in Searsport and practicing there for a few years, the future probate judge moved to Belfast. Behind him were not only success as a lawyer at Searsport but three years as superintendent of schools at Monroe. At Belfast Mr. Buzzell was soon to become a leader at the bar, and from 1908 to 1910 he served Waldo County as its county attorney.

In 1917 Judge Buzzell was elected to the State House of Representatives and in the last three consecutive terms was Republican floor leader, this being in 1921. He was then elected to the State Senate, where in 1923 he was chairman of the powerful judiciary committee. In 1925 he was president of the Senate. The following year Mr. Buzzell tried unsuccessfully to win his party's nomination to the United States Senate seat vacated by Senator Bert M. Fernald. Ten years later he announced his candidacy for Congress in the Second District, but withdrew before the primaries because, he said, the field was overcrowded. In 1939 he was returned to the State House of Representatives, and this term served as speaker, and in 1942 he was elected mayor of Belfast.

Governor Sumner Sewall appointed him judge of probate to fill out the unexpired term of the late Judge Ellery Bowden of Winterport. Later he was elected to that office, which he continued to fill until his death on September 12, 1948, at the age of seventy. His name was on the ballot as Republican candidate for re-election as judge at the time of his death.

Judge Buzzell was active in various fraternal organizations, but especially in the Knights of Pythias. He served this order as Grand Chancellor and as Supreme Representative, the latter for forty-six years. In the Masonic fraternity, he

held the Thirty-second degree, and he was also active in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the State Grange. For many years a member of the Lions Club of Belfast, he was once its president. He and his family worshipped at the First Church of Belfast. Among his enthusiasms was horse racing, and he owned a stable of well-bred horses. He was stricken in his final illness at the stables of the Lewiston Fairgrounds, where two of his horses had raced. Death of a cerebral hemorrhage followed at St. Mary's Hospital, Lewiston, and, after private services conducted by the Reverend Frank A. Pitman, pastor of the First Church, interment was in the family lot at Grove Cemetery.

Judge Buzzell married June 17, 1900, Nellie M. Ryder, who, with four sons, two grandchildren and a sister, survives him. The sons are Hillard Hodgdon Buzzell, born May 31, 1903, also a prominent native of Waldo County, who is now that political entity's county attorney and whose life story appears elsewhere in this history of Modern Maine; Charles W. Buzzell, born October 21, 1907, associated with the Harvard Trust Company at Somerville, Massachusetts; George C. Buzzell, born on December 31, 1910, who is with the State of Maine Police at Brunswick; and Dr. Benjamin R. Buzzell, born on January 3, 1912, a dentist at Saco. The grandchildren are Elizabeth Ann Buzzell of Saco and Stephen Buzzell of Brunswick. Judge Buzzell's sister, Mrs. Josie Rogers, resides at East Belfast.

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#### **BUZZELL, Hillard Hodgdon**

As county attorney of Waldo County, Hillard Hodgdon Buzzell of Belfast has given distinguished service to the people of Maine, among whom he is well known. A member of the bar since 1930, he has

spent many of the intervening years in the public service, and is former clerk of the Waldo County Superior and Supreme Judicial courts.

Mr. Buzzell was born at Monroe, on May 31, 1903, the son of Hodgdon Charles and Nellie M. (Ryder) Buzzell. His father, who died September 12, 1948, was one of Maine's best known citizens. A separate biography of Judge Buzzell precedes.

Hillard Hodgdon Buzzell was a student of the University of Maine in 1922 and 1923. He studied law in his father's office at Belfast, in Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tennessee and Peabody Law School, Portland, Maine. Cumberland awarded him the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1928. Mr. Buzzell was admitted to the bar in Maine on March 4, 1930, and for a time practiced independently. From 1931 to 1935 he was clerk of the Waldo County Courts and on January 1, 1935, became county attorney, with Belfast as his headquarters, and he has continued to serve in that office since that time.

Mr. Buzzell is prominent in Republican politics and in the Maine State Bar Association. Also, he is active in the Masonic order, being a member of various bodies, including the Knights Templar and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Bangor, and the Masonic Club of Belfast. Other organizations to which he belongs are the State Grange, the Knights of Pythias, and the Lions Club of Belfast. He worships in the First Church of Belfast.

Mr. Buzzell married Vera R. Roberts at Augusta on May 23, 1941. Mrs. Buzzell is the daughter of Olando and Flora Roberts.

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#### **CRITCHERSON, Guy H.**

As assistant treasurer and corporation

clerk of the Continental Mills, Guy H. Critcherson has performed an important service to this company and to the textile industry.

Born in East Lynn, Massachusetts, April 18, 1894, Mr. Critcherson is a son of Ralph H. and Jessie F. Critcherson. He attended Lynn English High School, in Lynn, Massachusetts. Subsequently, he studied accounting and finance at the Bentley School in Boston. His first employment was with the Nahant and Lynn Street Railway Company, of which he became manager. Later, he became a partner in the Paine Shoe Company, Marblehead, Massachusetts. In 1925 he formed his first connection with the Continental Mills, serving as accountant in their Boston office. He came to their Lewiston mill on January 1, 1946, as controller. In September of that year, he was elected assistant treasurer and clerk of the corporation, a position which he continues to hold.

In addition to his business activities, Mr. Critcherson is a member of the International Exchange Club of Auburn, Maine and the National Association of Cost Accountants. During World War I, he enlisted for active service in April, 1917, was attached to the 101st Field Artillery Regiment, 26th Division and saw active service abroad, including participation in the action in the Meuse-Argonne, Chateau-Thierry and Verdun areas. He was honorably discharged in March, 1918.

Guy H. Critcherson married Marguerite Orne, in 1919, at Swampscott, Massachusetts. They have one daughter, Eleanor.

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#### **NELSON, Gustav A.**

It is a matter of recorded history that Gustav A. Nelson made the first forged



cutting die in the state of Maine. Thus, he is a pioneer in this industry in the state. Once with the Pine Tree Die Company in Auburn, he is now president of the Androscoggin Die Company of Auburn, a concern he founded in 1939, and he has become a leader in this important field in New England.

Mr. Nelson was born at Skone, Sweden, on September 19, 1888, the son of Nicholas and Petronella Nelson, also natives of Sweden. His father was a shoemaker. Gustav Nelson was educated in Sweden. At an early age, he came to America and for a time lived in Brockton, Massachusetts. There he was associated for five years with the Independent Die Company, after which he went to New York City to work for a year with the Lloyd Die Company.

Returning to New England, he spent the next seventeen years in the employ of the Boudry Die Company at Marlboro, Massachusetts. From there he went to Lynn, where he worked first with the Essex Die Company and then with the Knox Die Company, spending a year and a half with each. It was when he came to Maine and entered the employ of the Pine Tree Die Company that Mr. Nelson made the first forged cutting die in the history of the state. He was with the Pine Tree Works for seven years, 1932 to 1939, before he founded the Androscoggin Die Company in Auburn. He has been president of the firm since its establishment. Werner R. Nelson, his son, is treasurer. The company makes forged cutting dies exclusively, ninety percent of them for the shoe industry. Mr. Nelson started with three employees. He now has twenty. Because of the tremendous skill required in this industry, it takes five years for a man to learn the trade. Quite a few have learned it under

Mr. Nelson's guidance. Outside the industry, Mr. Nelson, whose recreational interests include hunting and fishing, belongs to the Maine Fish and Game Society. As a hobby he likes carpenter work.

Mr. Nelson married Berta Svensen in Marlboro in 1913. Werner R. Nelson is one of nine children. The others of the family are Arthur, May, Margaret, Alice, Richard, Norman, Eleanor and Doris Nelson. Mr. Nelson's business address is 11 Summer Street, Auburn.

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**CLOUTIER, Omer M.**

President of the Polar Chemical Company of Lewiston, dealers in light and heavy chemicals for industrial uses and also in paints, wall paper and other essentials for the home, Omer M. Cloutier has seen this firm grow from a modest beginning a quarter of a century ago to substantial proportions. One line after another has been added to the list of its varied supplies for mills, laundries, and homes, and today the Polar Chemical Company is the only business of its kind north of Boston and occupies a unique place in New England industry.

Omer M. Cloutier was born in 1897 in St. Joseph in the Province of Quebec, Canada, and came to the United States in 1905. He grew up in Lewiston and attended the Lewiston public schools. After leaving school he learned the cigar making trade. When this business was affected by the depression, he learned to make shoes and remained in this occupation for eight years. Mr. Cloutier is the son of Napoleon and Anais Cloutier, his father being a blacksmith by trade.

The Polar Chemical Company was organized some twenty-five years ago by Omer M. Cloutier and his brother. Mr. Cloutier manages the business and serves

as its president. The company deals in light and heavy chemicals for industrial uses and manufactures sodium hypochloride, used as a bleaching agent in homes and laundries and as a disinfectant for the chlorination of portable water. It is also used in swimming pools, and at the present time the company supplies a considerable number of cities and summer camps with this product. Originally the firm manufactured sodium hypochloride for household use. It was not of a high quality, but through research a method of improving it was discovered and adopted. Since this was a very small business, strenuous efforts were made to find other items to help it along. At that time the dry cleaning industry was in its infancy and the average plant was making its own chemicals. Polar Chemical Company began to canvas the cleaning plants to sell their sodium hypochloride, and this later led to a considerable business in laundry supplies. They have thus grown with the dry cleaning and laundry industries and now provide a vast amount of varied supplies for mills, laundries and homes. Any new line added to the paint industry can always be found at the Polar Chemical Company, which also handles wall paper and other products for the home. The company is always alert to progress and continues to change with the changing times, making a special point of its modern outlook.

Omer M. Cloutier is a member of the Lewiston Rotary Club, the Musical Literary Club, Institut Jacques Cartier, St. Doms Booster, and Montagnard Snowshoe Club, and belongs also to the Maine Publicity Bureau. He and his family are identified with the Holy Family Roman Catholic Church. His great hobby and leisure-time diversion is reading.

In 1937 at Auburn, Omer M. Cloutier

was married to Juliette R. Boisvert. Mr. and Mrs. Cloutier have three children: Anita, Venise, and André.

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**RICHARDSON, C. Earle, M.D., F.I.C.S.**

Once a school teacher and formerly the operator of private hospitals he founded at Skowhegan and Brunswick, Dr. C. Earle Richardson, a physician and surgeon since 1916, has been practicing in Brunswick since 1926. He has become one of the outstanding members of the medical profession in Maine and serves on the surgical or consulting staffs of a half dozen hospitals in his own community and at Lewiston and Portland. He is former medical examiner for Cumberland County and in World War II served as medical examiner for the selective service system in Brunswick. Outside his profession Dr. Richardson has a reputation for leadership in Masonic and other fraternal circles and in the civic affairs of Brunswick.

Dr. Richardson was born at Strong, in Franklin County, on March 14, 1885, the son of David and Clara F. (Dickey) Richardson. Both parents were also born at Strong. The father, who served Franklin County as sheriff for many years, died in 1933, his widow in 1947. Dr. Richardson was graduated from the Farmington High School, at Farmington, a few miles south of Strong, in 1905. He then went to Bowdoin College, from which in 1909 he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. From 1909 to 1912 he was a teacher on the faculty of the Danforth High School in the eastern part of the state. Then he returned to Bowdoin and entered its School of Medicine. In 1916 he was awarded his degree of Doctor of Medicine and then spent the next year as an intern at the Maine General Hospital in Portland.





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On completing his internship Dr. Richardson went to Skowhegan, where he practiced for the next nine years. In that period, 1917 to 1926, he was the owner and operator of the Somerset Hospital, a private institution at Skowhegan. In October, 1926, Dr. Richardson moved to Brunswick, where he founded the Brunswick Hospital. This he operated until June, 1943, since which date he has been practicing out of his office at 3 Cumberland Street, Brunswick. For some time he was Cumberland County's medical examiner. He is now on the surgical staffs of Brunswick Hospital, Bath Memorial Hospital, the Central Maine Hospital, the Maine General Hospital, and the Eye and Ear Hospital in Portland. His World War II service was with draft board No. 5, Brunswick.

Dr. Richardson has been elected a Fellow of the International College of Surgeons and is also active in the Maine Medical Association, the Cumberland County Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. Active in non-professional organizations, he has served the Rotary Club of Brunswick as president, and is well-known in fraternal bodies. These include Bath Lodge No. 34, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and such Masonic bodies as United Lodge No. 8, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Brunswick; the Mount Vernon Council No. 2, Royal and Select Masters; St. Paul's Chapter No. 14, Royal Arch Masons, Brunswick; DeMolay Commandery, Knights Templar, at Skowhegan; various bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree; Hawthorne Chapter No. 104, Order of the Eastern Star, Brunswick; and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mys-

tic Shrine, at Lewiston. Fishing is his favorite recreation.

Dr. Richardson married Ethel M. Pike of Lisbon Falls at Providence, Rhode Island, on August 12, 1908. Mrs. Richardson, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Pike of Lisbon Falls, is also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. She is active in the Daughters of the American Revolution.

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#### **MITCHELL, William McKinley**

President of the Clark-Mitchell Funeral Homes of Bangor, Brewer, and Bucksport, William McKinley Mitchell's reputation is of high calibre, and is based upon sound experience as a funeral director since 1920. Mr. Mitchell possesses qualities which make his choice of a career as a mortician particularly apt. He is conscientious, ethical in all his dealings, and endowed with tact and sympathy which make his services appreciated by those who have sought them in time of bereavement. Wherever he has lived, Mr. Mitchell has entered wholeheartedly into the spirit of the community, has held several public offices, and has been prominent in organizational activities.

William McKinley Mitchell was born in Ottawa, Canada, on September 8, 1896, son of Charles Wilson and Eliza (Taggart) Mitchell. His father, who died in 1943 at the age of eighty-two, was an American citizen, working in the construction field in Canada at the time of his son's birth. His mother, still living, is of Scotch and English ancestry. William Mitchell attended school at Dover-Foxcroft; the East Maine Conference Seminary at Bucksport; and the University of Maine for one year, after which, having decided upon a career as mortician, he entered the New England Institute of

Anatomy and Embalming, Boston, from which he graduated in 1920. During World War I, he served in the Student Army Training Corps, and during World War II he was a member of the United States Coast Guard Reserve.

Mr. Mitchell first took up the practice of his profession at Danforth, where he operated a funeral home from 1920 to 1922. In the latter year he established a funeral home at Bucksport, which is still operated under the name Clark-Mitchell Funeral Home, Inc. While a resident of that city, Mr. Mitchell took an active part in civic affairs and held several public offices: those of chief of police, chief of the fire department, and sealer of weights and measures.

In 1930 he came to Brewer, and there established, in partnership with Howard Clark, the Clark-Mitchell Funeral Home, which in 1933 was incorporated; in 1937 a third home was opened under the same firm name in Bangor. The Clark-Mitchell funeral homes are modern in every respect, beautifully appointed, and managed with skill and understanding.

Mr. Mitchell is a member and past president of the Maine Funeral Directors Association, and a member of the National Funeral Directors Association. He is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, being a member of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and of the Commandery. He also belongs to the lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and to the American Legion. He is a past president of the local Lions Club, and is District Governor of Lions International; is also past president of the local Young Men's Christian Association; and is a member of Triangle fraternity and U.T.C. In religious faith, he is a Methodist.

At Bucksport, Hancock County, Wil-

liam McKinley Mitchell married Julia M. Newcomb, daughter of Colen and Rose (Rogers) Newcomb. To Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell have been born five children: 1. William McKinley, Jr., born December 25, 1918, a graduate of Brewer High School and of Bates College. He continued his studies at Tufts Dental College, receiving the degree of Doctor of Dental Science in 1945. During World War II, William M. Mitchell, Jr., served in the United States Navy with the rank of lieutenant in the dental corps. He is now in practice in Gardiner, Maine. He is married to Ruth White of Holyoke, Massachusetts, and they have a daughter, Judith Elaine, born March 31, 1945. 2. Alden C., born June 15, 1920, also a graduate of Brewer High School in 1938, who graduated in 1941 from the Cincinnati College of Embalming, and is now associated with his father. He is a member of the City Club, and belongs to the Blue Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, which he serves as chaplain. He enlisted for World War II service in the United States Army, February 26, 1942, and served with the Quartermaster Corps in the Pacific Theater of Operations, receiving his discharge September 19, 1945. Alden C. Mitchell married Patia Ellis of Sagamore, Massachusetts. 3. Herbert, born May 12, 1922. A graduate of Brewer High School, he is associated with his father in the Mitchell Funeral Home. He is a member of the Exchange Club, and is a Mason. During World War II, Herbert Mitchell served with the United States Army Aviation Engineers in the European Theater of Operations, receiving his honorable discharge on January 1, 1946. 4. Elaine Margaret, born June 11, 1923, who is a graduate of Brewer High School and Bates College. She is a registered nurse, having trained at the Chil-



dren's Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts and served as an Army nurse at Cushing Hospital, Framingham, Maine. Elaine Margaret Mitchell married Paul Kelleher, of Millinocket, Maine. 5. Charles R., born April 5, 1925. After graduation from Brewer High School, he attended Maine Central Institute and Husson College, and is now a student at the New England Institute of Anatomy and Embalming. During World War II, he served with the United States Army Air Corps in the Pacific Theater of Operations, being engineer on a bomber which flew thirteen missions over Japan. Charles Rogers Mitchell is married to the former Arlene Dunton of Enfield, Maine, and is the father of a son, Charles Rogers, Jr.

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#### **WILLARD, John E., Sr.**

One of Portland's outstanding business men, John E. Willard, Sr., is treasurer of the Willard-Daggett Company, wholesale lobster dealers, situated at Central Wharf, this city.

Mr. Willard was born September 2, 1878, at Cape Elizabeth, son of John and Elizabeth (Winslow) Willard. His father early became associated with the wholesale fish and lobster industry, in which the Willard family are pioneers. After conducting his own business for many years, the elder Mr. Willard took over the business of W. L. Daggett Company, the John Lovett Company and the George A. Wyer Company. For many years he carried on his work in this connection, and gradually other members of the Willard family became active in association with him. The original home of the business was at Custom House Wharf in the 1890s. The removal to Central Wharf took place in 1910, when the Willard-Daggett Company acquired its present quarters.

John E. Willard, Sr., attended public schools at Cape Elizabeth, and later studied at Gray's Portland Business College. Then he entered the fish and lobster business. The present Central Wharf Cold Storage Company was built in 1912, and still continues as an adjunct to the Willard-Daggett Company business. Philip G. Willard, son of John E. Willard, Sr., operates this company in addition to practicing law in Portland. Another son, John E. Willard, Jr., is managing director of the Willard-Daggett Company in which he is associated with his father.

In many branches of civic life, John E. Willard, Sr., has taken an active role. He is a member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in which he belongs to Greenleaf Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, St. Albans Commandery of Knights Templar and Kora Temple (in which he is a life member) of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in Lewiston. He is also a member of the United States Chamber of Commerce. In spare time he enjoys sulky racing.

John E. Willard, Sr., married, September 2, 1903, in Portland, Charlotte Grant, of Westbrook, daughter of George Grant. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Philip G. (q.v.) 2. John E., Jr., born in 1908 in Portland, graduated from Portland High School and in 1940 from Yale University, since which time he has been associated with his father as managing director of the Willard-Daggett Company; he married May Helson, daughter of Leon Helson, of Portland.

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#### **ECKLER, Harrie Danforth**

The work of Harrie Danforth Eckler as city manager of two of Maine's outstanding municipalities has made him known throughout New England. Formerly city

manager of Belfast, he is now city manager of Brewer. He is an influential figure among fellow city managers in the state and is active in civic affairs beyond the call of duty, and in church work and peace movements.

Mr. Eckler was born in Frankfort, New York, on February 17, 1888, the son of Leverett Monroe and Annie L. (Snyder) Eckler and of a family important at Springfield, New York, for generations. His father was a farmer in that community. The city manager's ancestors, five brothers, came from Holland to the New World in 1759, landing at New York. His great-great-grandfather, Henry Eckler, a native of Springfield, was a captain in the Continental Army in the Revolutionary War and was one of the seven surviving field officers of the Battle of Oriskany.

Educated in the elementary and high schools of his native Frankfort, graduated from the Frankfort High School in 1905, Harrie Danforth Eckler was admitted to the apprenticeship training program of the Remington Arms Company at Ilion, New York, in 1906. From 1909, when he completed the apprenticeship course, to 1917 he followed the profession of development engineering. In 1917 and 1918, the World War I period, he was an engineering executive for the Savage Arms Company at Utica, New York, and from 1919 to 1923 he was again with Remington Rand, Inc., at Ilion, in a development engineering capacity.

In 1923 Mr. Eckler entered the field of public service when he became superintendent of public works for the village of Frankfort. This post he held until 1930, when he resigned to come to Maine as city manager of Belfast. In 1941 he left Belfast to assume his present post of city manager of Brewer. For the distinguished work he did for the city in the

World War II period, with its personnel and materials difficulties, and in the post-war period since then, he has been highly honored in Brewer and given considerable recognition by men of public service throughout the state. He was president of the Maine City Managers Association in 1946-47 and continues highly active in that organization and the International City Managers Association. He is also a member of the Kiwanis Club of Brewer and the Masonic Blue Lodge at Frankfort, of which he is a past master. He is a hard worker in his church, the First Congregational of Brewer, and an ardent member of the United World Federalists. Also he is constantly accepting work of one sort or another in civic programs.

Mr. Eckler married Jessie Scudder of Bradford, Pennsylvania, in Frankfort on April 15, 1911. Mrs. Eckler is the daughter of Charles W. and Clara (Wenricht) Scudder of Bradford. Mr. Eckler is a Republican.

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#### **FULLER, W. Atherton, Jr.**

An attorney who is rapidly making a reputation not only before the bar but in the state's political and public affairs, W. Atherton Fuller, Jr., is already a leading citizen of Hancock County and Eastern Maine. He comes of a family which has been identified for years with progressive activities in the state. Mr. Fuller's home and headquarters are in Ellsworth, the seat of Hancock County.

Born in Milton, Massachusetts, on June 8, 1916, Mr. Fuller is the son of Walter Atherton Fuller, Sr., associated with the William Whitman Company of New York City, and Marjorie (Frank) Fuller. His paternal grandfather, George R. Fuller, was a prominent attorney in Maine, with offices in Southwest Harbor. He served





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in the State Legislature and held other high political and civic offices. A paternal uncle, David W. Fuller, is an attorney at Bangor.

The Ellsworth attorney began his education in the public schools of Massachusetts. He was at high school in Needham, and then went to the Scarsdale, New York, High School, from which he was graduated in 1934. Four years later, he took his degree of Bachelor of Arts at Dartmouth College. He had, in the meantime, 1937-1938, also attended the Amos Tuck School. He prepared for the bar at the Harvard University School of Law, which in 1941 granted him the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

Admitted to the Massachusetts State Bar in 1941, Mr. Fuller became immediately associated with the law firm of Nutter, McClennan and Fish, in Boston. In 1944 he was admitted to practice in the Federal Courts and in 1949 to the bar of the State of Maine. On October 4, 1949, he established himself in his present practice in Ellsworth. His office is at 102 Main Street, in that city.

A Republican, Mr. Fuller participates actively in the affairs of the party as well as in local and state public affairs. He is a member of the Hancock County Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Ellsworth, the Ellsworth Luncheon Club, the Maine Publicity Bureau and Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. He worships at the Congregational Church and is its treasurer and a member of its Men's Club.

Mr. Fuller married Elizabeth Louise Gillam of Baltimore, in that city on August 9, 1941. She is the daughter of Sylvanus and Caroline Gillam. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller have become the parents of five children: Caroline Ewing, Cynthia, Nan-

cy Atherton, Walter Atherton, III, and David W. The Fuller residential address is R.F.D. 3, Ellsworth.

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#### **HUSSON, Chesley Hayward, M.S.**

The largest commercial school in Maine is the Husson College of Bangor, the remarkable success of which is credited to the leadership of its founder and president, Chesley H. Husson, Bachelor of Science, Master of Science. In the quarter-century that he has been head of this exceptionally efficient institution it has been his responsibility to administer the business affairs of the college, from a period of national depression to one of prosperity, and to change and improve its curriculum and broaden the services it renders students. In these and various other activities he has proved himself an example of what he and his school teaches.

Chesley H. Husson was born at Lynn, Massachusetts, on March 14, 1903, son of George Edwin Parsons Husson, Sr., and the former Lillian Rendall. His father, a native of Newfoundland, came to the United States around the turn of the century and settled in Lynn, where, before he retired from business, he was associated with the General Electric Company of that city. Chesley H. Husson was educated in the Lynn English High School; State Teachers College at Salem, Bachelor of Science in Education, 1926; and the University of Maine, Master of Science in Education, class of 1939.

In 1926, Mr. Husson became the principal of the recently launched Bangor School of Commerce. Like many other schools of its kind, the early years were marked by difficulties in getting established, and the "depression" following 1929 did not help the situation. In 1933 Mr. Husson took over the ownership of

the school, which he renamed Husson College in 1947.

The commercial college differs radically from the endowed university in that it depends upon fees paid by students, and therefore has to be efficient to survive. In the words of the president: "The students are our life-blood. Without them we must fail. Whether we succeed or fail depends upon the intelligence of the general public to understand and appreciate our honest effort to establish and maintain high standards of instruction and administration." That Husson College is a success is evidenced by the fact that it is the largest commercial school in Maine, and one of the largest of its kind in the United States. Its large, three-story building on Park Street is adequate, and is most completely equipped and modern in every respect. In 1947 the school accommodated itself to changing educational patterns by reorganizing as a college, "thereby enabling the administration to increase the scope and area of its services to an unusual degree and provide for further enlargement of its offerings with forward-looking realism, and an appreciation of the needs of a dynamic and ever-changing social order."

Husson College is a member of the American Association of Commercial Colleges, of the New England Business School Association, and of the National Council of Business Schools. President Husson is currently governor of the New England District for the American Association of Commercial Colleges, and is a member of the national educational fraternities, Kappa Phi Kappa, Kappa Delta Pi, and the local Mu Sigma Chi. Exceptionally active in community projects, he serves on the board of directors of the Bangor Young Men's Christian Association; of the Milk Fund of the Central

Council, Parent Teacher Association; is treasurer of the Schoolchildren's Fund Committee; and is active in Community Chest and other humanitarian agencies. Fraternally he is a Thirty-second degree Mason, affiliated with the various bodies of Masonry, including Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Numbered among his clubs are the Lions, Executives, Speakers, and the Triangle. He attends Grace Methodist Episcopal Church.

On May 30, 1926, at Woodstock, New Brunswick, Canada, Chesley H. Husson married Dorothy May Bell of Mars Hill, daughter of Roy and Eliza Bell. Mr. and Mrs. Husson are the parents of three sons: 1. Chesley Hayward, Jr., born February 28, 1928; a graduate of Maine Central Institute, class of 1936. He enlisted in the United States Army, World War II, and served as a laboratory technician in the Pacific Theater of Operations, receiving his honorable discharge with the rank of sergeant. In 1948 he entered the University of Maine, where he is majoring in premedical courses, class of 1952. 2. Roy George, born December 21, 1936, a student at the Fairmont School. 3. Paul Edwin, born July 25, 1940, who also attends the Fairmont School.

#### **COMSTOCK, Oliver Dixon**

A specialist in governmental affairs and public administration, Oliver Dixon Comstock is now city manager of Bangor. A veteran of World Wars I and II, he was an officer with Allied Military Government in Italy in the second; he is active in military and ex-servicemen's affairs and otherwise participates in important programs in New England.

Born at Buffalo, New York, on March 22, 1900, Mr. Comstock is the son of the late William John and Elizabeth (Dixon)



Comstock. His father was manager of S. A. Maxwell and Company, New York City. Bangor's city manager was graduated from Erasmus Hall High School, Brooklyn, New York, in 1918, and soon afterward, in October of the same year, entered the United States Army. Attached to the infantry, he was in the service until December, 1918, one month after the Armistice. When he returned to civilian life, he matriculated at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, where, in 1924, he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then became a reporter for the F. W. Dodge Corporation of New York City, and in the next four years served this concern as reporter in the metropolis, at Richmond, Virginia; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Boston, Massachusetts; and as district manager at New Orleans, Louisiana. In 1928 Mr. Comstock left this company to become publisher of "The Construction News," published in Buffalo, New York. He continued with this trade journal until June, 1942, when he was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Military Police of the United States Army. He served in World War II from that time until August, 1946. For two and one-half years Mr. Comstock served with Allied Military Government in Italy, and in the course of his service rose to captain and finally to major.

Having acquired an interest in public administration while in the Army, Mr. Comstock continued his wartime experience in this field when again he resumed his civilian status. In the months following his separation from the service, he was a governmental analyst. He worked with the Bureau of Government of the University of Michigan, with the state of Michigan, and with the Bureau of Governmental Research in Detroit, Michigan.

Meantime, too, he was pursuing post-graduate study in this field and in 1948 the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor awarded him the degree of Master of Public Administration. In March, 1948, he was called to Bangor as city manager, an office in which he has given distinguished service.

Retaining his rank in the Army of the United States, Mr. Comstock is a member of the Reserve Officers Association of the United States. He is also active in the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion in Bangor. Another of his organizations is the International City Managers Association. His fraternity is Delta Chi. He also belongs to the Tarantine Club of Bangor. He worships in the Congregational Church and is a Republican.

Oliver Dixon Comstock married Anne Burnham, daughter of Dr. Norman L. and Louise (Duffield) Burnham of Buffalo, New York, in that city on June 30, 1931.

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#### **WHITE, Ashmead**

The name of Ashmead White of Bangor is known to countless persons in the fields of business, investments, banking, community and welfare organizations, and education. A graduate of Bowdoin, he has for years been a leader among its alumni and in its financing program. Mr. White's major business interest is Pierce, White and Drummond, Inc., of Bangor, of which he is president. He is a veteran of World War I.

Born at Bangor on February 23, 1890, Ashmead White is the son of the late Fred Heman and Susan Emily (Heiskell) White, both of whom were also natives of Bangor. His father was a dry goods merchant. Ashmead White was graduated from the Bangor High School in

1908, and from Bowdoin College in 1912, when he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

From June, 1912, to May, 1917, Mr. White was with the Merrill Trust Company of Bangor. When he left this firm it was to enter the United States Army. Commissioned a lieutenant in the 76th Division, 303rd Infantry, he served overseas for one year. In 1919, after his discharge from the service, he became Maine representative of the financial firm of Estabrook and Company of Boston. He continued with this concern until 1930. From 1931 to 1936 Mr. White was manager of the bond department of the Eastern Trust and Banking Company of Bangor. He left the Eastern Trust to participate, in June, 1936, in the founding and incorporation of Pierce, White and Drummond, Inc., of which he has since been president. An outstanding figure in the investment field, Mr. White is a member of the executive committee of the New England Group of the Investment Bankers Association of America. He is also an incorporator of the Bangor Savings Bank and the Penobscot Savings Bank.

Mr. White's community activities have brought him many honors and leadership opportunities. He is former president and member of the board of trustees of the Family Welfare Association of Bangor and is also a former member of the board of directors of the Bangor Young Men's Christian Association and the Bangor-Brewer Community Chest. His work with the Bowdoin College alumni and other activities has had many ramifications. He is now president of the Bowdoin Alumni Association and the Bowdoin Alumni Council, is a former director of the Bowdoin Alumni Fund, and was elected to the board of overseers of Bowdoin College in June, 1949. He is regional

chairman for Maine of the Bowdoin Sesquicentennial Fund and a member of the Fund's executive committee. His college fraternity is Alpha Delta Phi. He also belongs to the Blue Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in Bangor; to the Newcomen Society of England in North America, the Tarratine Club of Bangor; and the Penobscot Valley Country Club. He worships in the Congregational Church and is a Republican.

On August 12, 1944, at Lubec, Maine, Mr. White married Doris Pike, daughter of Chester L. and Lottie A. Pike, of that town.

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#### **LEAVITT, Hon. Ralph Ames**

Business executive and man of large affairs, the Hon. Ralph Ames Leavitt holds a place of distinguished importance in Portland and his native state of Maine. His interests extend into various fields, including services to the public as representative, senator, and as an official and guiding spirit of organizations; civic, humanitarian, social, and others.

Senator Leavitt was born in Portland, on February 24, 1898, the son of William and Gertrude (Stevens) Leavitt, both born in Portland, and the grandson of Captain William Leavitt, the early founder of the firm of Chase, Leavitt and Company, with which two succeeding generations have been identified. Ralph Ames Leavitt was educated in the grade schools of Portland, Hebron Academy, and Norwich University, at Northfield, Vermont. He became associated with his father in business, and with the passing years has branched out in several other fields of endeavor. He is president of Chase, Leavitt and Company, steamship and forwarding agents, and also heads the Dirigo Stevedoring Company, of Portland. Mrs. Leavitt is vice president of





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the first named concern and treasurer of the second.

Notably public spirited, in more recent years Ralph Ames Leavitt has been honored by election to the Maine House of Representatives, serving in 1941 and 1943, and since 1945 he has been consecutively elected senator. During his terms in the Legislature he has sponsored and supported numerous progressive measures. As already mentioned, Senator Leavitt is a man of diversified activities, and a member of many organizations. He was the first president and is current treasurer of the Greater Portland Public Development Commission, which was created by legislation sponsored by him to prevent the destruction of the facilities of the Portland shipyards. The commission acquired the West Yard during its first year of operation, and since has done much to help Portland through its post-war pains. Senator Leavitt is also a former president of the board of the Seaman's Friend Society and is an honorary member of the Portland Marine Society. He is frequently called "The Father" of the Maine Maritime Academy, of which he is president, and to which, because he sponsored the legislation which created it, he has devoted much of his time during its first few years in making this academy equal to any other such in the country. He figures constructively in the Maine Publicity Bureau, the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, and the Portland Club. He belongs to the Stroutwater Grange, Patrons of Husbandry; the Ralph D. Caldwell Post of the American Legion; is an incorporator of the Maine General Hospital in Portland, and fraternally is a Thirty-second degree Mason, member of all bodies leading up to this degree. Especially noteworthy is the fact that he is a past presi-

dent of the Propellor Club of Portland, and a former district vice president of the Propellor Club of the United States. He attends the Union Baptist Church of Portland, and is associated with religious and humanitarian projects other than those already named.

At Portland, on April 1, 1921, Ralph Ames Leavitt married Ruth Boynton, who was born in Portland, April 1, 1902, daughter of C. Everett and Alice (Buxton) Boynton. Mrs. Leavitt is not only an extremely capable business woman but is a prominent figure in the public life of the city and state. She is a former secretary and treasurer of the Portland League of Women Voters, a past president of the Maine State Federation of Women's Republican Clubs, and a former vice president of the Portland Women's Republican Club. Mrs. Leavitt is and has been for several years, vice chairman of the Portland Republican City Committee. She serves as secretary of the Board of the Temporary Home for Women and Children; was an officer of the Portland Baby Hygiene and Child Welfare Association; and continues as a member of the Board. Likewise Mrs. Leavitt is a board member of the Planned Parenthood League of Maine. Mr. and Mrs. Leavitt are the parents of the following children: 1. Alice, born May 3, 1922; a graduate of Waynflete School, at Portland, and Bennington College, Bennington, Vermont. She married Charles Hasty Thompson of Auburn, and they have two daughters: Margaret Walton, and Joanna Hasty. 2. William, born May 5, 1928; he attended Portland schools, and is a graduate of Putney School, Putney, Vermont; graduate of Maine Maritime Academy, class of 1949, and is currently serving with the Merchant Marine, rank of ensign and third officer.

**TOWLE, Harold Adelbert**

Harold Adelbert Towle of Bangor has added to a successful legal practice a creditable performance in public office, culminating in his appointment as Commissioner of the Maine Industrial Accident Commission on June 1, 1949. He is well-known in professional and fraternal organizations, and as a public speaker.

Born in Hallowell, March 19, 1898, Harold Adelbert Towle is the son of the late Adelbert Merton Towle, and Annie May (Hannaford) Towle, both natives of Winthrop.

After graduating from Cony High School, Augusta, in 1917, Mr. Towle entered Bryant-Stratton Business College, following which he served as reporter for the Industrial Accident Commission for two years. In 1921 he went to Portland where he was adjuster for the Employers' Insurance Corporation for several years, being transferred to Bangor, in 1928, as their manager. In 1930 he entered the law office of James E. Mitchell, Esq., Bangor, to study law, and was admitted to the bar in the state of Maine in 1936, starting his own practice at 27 State Street, Bangor, that same year. In 1943 he was appointed Recorder in the Bangor Municipal Court by Governor Horace Hildreth, and, in 1947, he was appointed to the Judgeship of the Bangor Municipal Court, an office which he filled with distinction.

In 1940 he was appointed Government Appeal Agent for Local Draft Board No. 2 in Bangor, and was again named to that office in 1948, to serve on Local Draft Board No. 10.

Mr. Towle is a Republican in his politics. He is a member of the Penobscot County, Maine, and American bar associations, and is also a member of the Bangor Chamber of Commerce, the Ban-

gor Kiwanis Club, and the United Commercial Travelers of America.

Mr. Towle takes a vital interest in veterans' affairs, having served in the United States Army during World War I, several months of which were spent in the European Theater. He is a charter member of the American Legion, belongs to the Forty and Eight. He is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree, and is also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. He is a communicant of the Episcopal Church and serves that congregation as vestryman.

On May 15, 1922, he married Leone Mildred Garvin of Augusta. There are no children. He resides at 64 Division Street, Bangor.

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**CHAPMAN, Franklin Kenneth**

As president and treasurer of the T. M. Chapman Sons Company, Inc., of Old Town, Franklin Kenneth Chapman heads one of the oldest business organizations in Maine.

Mr. Chapman was born November 3, 1899, son of Fred Morrell and Annie (Fogg) Chapman, and grandson of Thomas Chapman, founder of the business. Both parents are now deceased, the father having died December 24, 1908, and the mother on February 25, 1924.

Schools of Old Town furnished Franklin Kenneth Chapman's early education, and after graduating from the Old Town High School in 1918, he entered the University of Maine, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering in 1922. From 1922 to 1924, he was with the Westinghouse Electric Corporation in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, coming back to Old Town



in 1924 and associating himself with the T. M. Chapman Sons Company. He has had much to do with modernizing this organization, which was founded on the basis of his grandfather's inventions. Thomas Chapman invented the first saw filing machine which was patented in 1873. The company itself was established in 1851, and incorporated in 1899. It started with the lumbering industry, making woodworking machines, sawmill maintenance work and grey iron castings, but gradually it changed its policy of manufacturing with the changes in the times and personnel. The company is now engaged in the building of special machinery and during World War II specialized in aircraft engine parts for the leading aircraft engine companies. It also has its own foundry.

The role of Franklin Kenneth Chapman in developing the newer phases of this company's business has been an extensive one, and he has at the same time figured prominently in the civil life of Old Town and this region of Maine. He is a veteran of World War I, is a past president of the Rotary Club and a past director of the Chamber of Commerce here, and an active member of the City Planning Board. He is a Republican in his political views, and a member of the Universalist Church. In the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons he has affiliations with both the York and the Scottish Rites and is a Thirty-second degree Mason. He is a life member of Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Bangor, and of the Shrine Hospital at Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Chapman is still an active member of Anah Patrol of which he has been a member for fifteen years, and is a member and past president of the Old Town-Orono Shrine Club. He is a Past

Master of Star in the East, Blue Lodge, and a Past High Priest of Katahdin Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, both in Old Town. He is a member and past treasurer of Delta Tau Delta, and Tau Beta Pi fraternities at the University of Maine.

On June 17, 1924, Franklin Kenneth Chapman married Jeanette M. Patterson, daughter of Alec Patterson. Her mother died when Mrs. Chapman was six years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Chapman became the parents of a son, Franklin Kenneth, Jr., born September 19, 1925, who attended Old Town High School, Hebron Academy, and Husson College, Bangor, and later became a student at the University of Maine, as a member of the class of 1951. During World War II, he served in the Navy as a signalman on the flag ship of Admiral Barbee in the South Pacific Theater of Operations. On June 20, 1948, he married Madelyn Binnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Binnett, and they have a daughter, Mary Rose Chapman.

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#### **PEARSON, John Joseph, M. D.**

Actively engaged in a practice of medicine in Old Town, Dr. John Joseph Pearson performs an extensive quantity of hospital work and makes a substantial contribution, professionally and otherwise, to numerous civic and social organizations in this community and district.

Dr. Pearson was born October 20, 1908, in Randolph, Massachusetts, son of John J. and Sara (Sheridan) Pearson, both of whom are now deceased, the father having passed away in August, 1945, and the mother in 1934.

After completing his primary education Dr. John Joseph Pearson received his high school education at Middleboro,

Massachusetts, being graduated in 1927. He then attended Hebron Academy. Upon completing his work there in 1928, he entered the University of Maine, where he received his degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1932. For his medical studies he went to Tufts Medical School, there taking the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1936. In that year and in 1937, Dr. Pearson served as an intern at Eastern Maine General Hospital, so continuing until he opened his own office in Old Town to conduct a general practice of medicine in 1937.

So engaged down to the time of writing, Dr. Pearson also serves as attending physician at Eastern Maine General Hospital. He is camp physician of the University District of the Girl Scouts of America, and a member of Milford School Board. In 1939 and 1940 he was city physician of Old Town. He is also director of the local Anti-Tuberculosis Association. He is also chairman of the Medical Advisory Committee of Old Town, and during World War II was chairman of the Medical Defense Branch of the Old Town Defense Organization. He also belongs to the Penobscot County Medical Society, the Maine State Medical Association, and the American Medical Association, as well as the Bangor Medical Club. In his political views he is a Republican, and he is a member of Old Town Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club, and the Knights of Columbus, in which he is associated with Father Druillette Council. In his religious faith he is a Roman Catholic.

On May 6, 1931, at Old Town, Maine, Dr. John Joseph Pearson married Claris A. Davis of Milford, Maine, daughter of Herbert and Addie Davis. Dr. and Mrs. Pearson became the parents of four children: 1. John Joseph, Jr., born December 4, 1932. 2. Sara Jane, born October 16,

1939. 3. Michael David, born December 25, 1941. 4. Ann Linda, born December 15, 1943.

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#### **YOUNG, Robert M.**

Robert M. Young is vice president in charge of the Tissue Division of Pond's Extract Company, which is located at Mechanic Falls. The headquarters of the company are at 60 Hudson Street in New York City.

Mr. Young was born in Denver, Colorado, in 1908, son of Robert P. and Eliza Young. His father, a patternmaker, died in 1920. The son received his early education in the local schools; then entered the University of Denver, where he was in residence for two years. Transferring his credits to the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, he received there, after three years of further study, the degree of Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering. He took one year of graduate work at the University of Maine, receiving his Master's degree in Pulp and Paper Technology.

His graduation from the University of Michigan occurred in 1931, and in that year he joined the Scott Paper Company in Chester, Pennsylvania. It was this concern which, perceiving his aptitude in the industry, arranged for him to continue his studies at the University of Maine. Making his further education available to this company on completion of these courses, he remained with the Scott Paper Company for twelve and a half years, and terminated this connection in December, 1943.

At that time he became affiliated with Pond's. With a thorough background of experience, he came with them in the capacity of manager of the Tissue Division. The expansion plan projected by the





Robert M. Young





company at that time, during the period of industrial burgeoning accompanying the war years, included the locating of a larger factory under the Tissue Division. The location decided upon was Mechanic Falls.

The mill which was then in existence at the Falls had had a long and successful history of paper making to its credit. Some of the buildings, durably constructed, had been standing since the original paper mill was erected in 1851, at which time an average of one ton of paper per day was sold to such well-known customers as "The Atlantic Monthly" and the "Portland Transcript." Later the "Boston Herald" became its principal customer and the plant was enlarged and improved from year to year to keep pace with the increased demand for its product.

Some twenty years later, the mill was reorganized under the name of the Denison Paper Manufacturing Co. and as its products continued to enjoy increased consumption, its productive equipment was expanded to meet its requirements. One of the reasons for this continued demand was the company's policy of maintaining high quality and of employing newer methods of production. It is believed that this company was the first to make paper exclusively of all wood, which they did for some time prior to 1887.

The mill was known as the Poland Paper Company in about 1890, and retained this name for many years, even after it had been purchased by Borregaard Company of Norway in 1920. The name was retained until about 1930 when it was changed to Waterfalls. The production of high grade bond papers, ledgers and writing paper continued until Borregaard sold out in 1940. The uncertainties accompanying the war period

resulted in the mill changing hands several times before Pond's purchased it in November, 1944.

The Pond's company employed Hardy S. Ferguson of New York, engineer, and Aberthaw Construction Company of Boston, to perform the rebuilding necessary to convert the plant to Pond's purposes. In addition to the remodeling, a new converting building and machine room were added, making the plant one of the most modern paper mills in the country. It was placed in partial operation in 1945, and further construction and the addition of new machines was followed by its entering into a full production schedule by 1946. A mill previously owned by the company and located at Seymour, Connecticut, which had been superseded by the new development, was sold in August, 1947 and partially dismantled; part of its equipment being reinstalled in the new Mechanic Falls plant. This reinstallation of equipment involved considerable work and the entire project from the dismantling to the production of paper took only three months. The task was carried out under the personal supervision of Mr. Young and Mr. Murray. Mr. Young was elected vice president of the company in 1948.

The plant employs about two hundred people, many of whom were members of the Seymour, Connecticut, plant and who moved to Maine to continue their service with the company there. To the skill and loyalty of the personnel goes the credit, in large measure, for the realization of the expansion program of Pond's Tissues, the output of which now stands at forty percent above prewar level.

The company takes a part in the town's activities; such as financial assistance to the local baseball team, and sets afoot worth-while activities of its

own, such as an annual outing each September.

To give a tablecloth outline of the process of facial tissue manufacturing: this consists briefly of mixing various kinds of pulp—some long fibered and some short fibered—all properly refined. The interweaving of the fibers results from mixing a large volume of water with the pulp, and this mixture is discharged into a revolving endless wire mesh which is sixty feet long, one hundred and fifty-four inches wide, and has seventy-five wires to the inch. The water drains through this wire mesh, leaving the fibers as "mat" on the wire surface. Subsequent operations result in driving more water from the sheet by means of squeezing, suction and drying. After a crinkling operation to prevent a smooth, slick surface on the sheet, it is passed through heavy iron rollers and wound into large rolls. These rolls are cut and rewound, boxed and cased for shipment. The pulp is purchased, but the entire process of conversion into Pond's Tissues is carried out at the Mechanic Falls mill.

Mr. Young feels particularly that great credit should be given to two men who have been in large measure responsible for the successful operation of the plant. They are Mr. L. H. Bowman, who has had an extensive training in tissue manufacturing, having been with the Pond's organization since 1928, and who is now plant superintendent at Mechanic Falls; and Mr. L. G. Murray, the plant's chief engineer, who is a Purdue graduate of 1931, and whose background includes paper-making training and power plant maintenance and engineering.

Although Mr. Young's duties demand his part-time residence in New York City in proximity to the company's main offices, he has taken an active part in the

affairs of Mechanic Falls. He is a member of the Lions Club there. Golfing and more particularly fishing are his favorite outdoor recreations, and both find ample expression on the greens and along the coastline of the Pine Tree State.

Mr. Young is chairman of the Facial Tissue Division of the National Tissue Association.

In Toledo, Ohio, in 1930, Robert M. Young married Ruth Kelsey, daughter of William B. and Maude Kelsey. They are the parents of three children: Donald, Douglas and Diane.

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#### **BRAGG, Franklin Everett**

For many years Franklin Everett Bragg has been engaged in business affairs in Bangor, where he is now president of N. H. Bragg and Sons.

Mr. Bragg was born November 14, 1874, in Bangor, son of Charles F. and Florence H. (Wingate) Bragg. His father, who headed the Bragg firm before him, died in 1921, and the mother passed away in 1932. He attended Bangor High School and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and at the age of twenty-three, entered the employ of the old Bragg firm, which was founded by Norris H. Bragg. The founder was, in his youth, a carriage ironer and blacksmith. As a carriage ironer he made bolts, screws, and other carriage hardware by hand out of bar iron. When he was thirty he decided to start his own business, and in 1854, he established the present firm at 74 Broad Street, Bangor. At the outset this firm dealt in carriage supplies and carriage accessories. But with the advent of the automobile and its quick rise to importance added a complete line of automotive equipment as well as industrial supplies and heavy hardware, consisting mainly of steel and



sheet metal. Franklin Everett Bragg is now, as president of this firm, one of Bangor's leading business men, and this enterprise occupies the entire building at the same address where it was founded in 1854. In addition, Mr. Bragg is a director of the Merchants National Bank. He is a Republican in his political views, and a member of the Tarratine Club, the Penobscot Valley Country Club and other local organizations, including the Rotary Club, which he joined as a charter member in 1917. He is a member of All Souls Church.

On April 23, 1900, at Brewer, Franklin Everett Bragg married Grace Woodbury, daughter of Samuel H. and Estelle Woodbury. They became the parents of two children: 1. Frances, born May 9, 1901, attended Bangor High School and Smith College. She became the wife of Donald J. Eames of Bangor, now sales manager of the Bragg firm. They became the parents of three children: i. George Clifton, a student at the School of Business Administration of the University of Maine. ii. Mary Grace, a student at Smith College. iii. Eleanor Bragg. 2. Charles F., 2nd, born December 20, 1910. He attended Bangor High School, became associated with the Bragg firm as general manager, and married in Paris, France, Anna Høst of Norway. They became the parents of three children: Phoebe, Franklin Everett, 2nd, and John Woodbury.

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#### **COOMBS, Horace M.**

Like his father before him, Horace M. Coombs has been an illustrious citizen of the state of Maine. A resident of Belfast, he operates the Coombs Funeral Home there, with which he has been associated since 1932; and he has served his district in the House of Representatives of the

Maine Legislature for two terms. In addition, Mr. Coombs is particularly active as a fraternalist, holding high rank in the Masonic order.

Born in Belfast, August 20, 1910, Horace M. Coombs is a son of Charles R. and Helena C. (Matthews) Coombs. His father, also for many years a funeral director in Belfast, was active in the cause of community welfare. Descended from an old Maine family, he was a grandson of Robert Coombs, Jr., a native of Islesboro, born January 25, 1799. Robert Coombs, Jr., was a sea captain, having gone to sea as a boy. He retired from the sea, however, and in 1830 moved to Belfast, where he purchased a farm and settled on it for the remainder of his life. Captain Coombs' death occurred July 9, 1862. He had married, on Christmas Day, 1823, Jane Gilkey, like himself a native of Islesboro, who had been born April 9, 1807. They were the parents of fourteen children, among them Robert Coombs, third member of the family bearing that name. Robert Coombs (3) was born at Islesboro, July 3, 1828, and, as his father had done, went to sea at an early age. At the age of nine years he worked as cook's helper in a galley, and at sixteen was master of the fishing schooner "Jane," of Belfast, Maine. He commanded many vessels during his career, among which are many schooners well remembered off the coast: "Dime," "Eri," "Royal Welcome," "Pensacola," "Fred Dyer," "Lydia Brooks." Also the brig "Russian," the barks "P. R. Hazeltine" and "Diana," and the ships "Live Oak" and "Cora," the last being named in honor of his daughter. In the Civil War, Captain Robert Coombs sailed in the "Diana" under the Hanoverian flag, from America to the United Kingdom and India. On the "Cora" he sailed around the world,

though most of the voyages were in the Pacific. For twenty years his craft was away from American waters, and its log recorded many adventures. Captain Coombs married, on June 11, 1850, Harriet E. Pendleton, of Belfast, daughter of Jared Pendleton of Belfast, where she was born April 13, 1831. She died June 7, 1894. They were the parents of four children: 1. Walter H., who engaged in the antique furniture business in Belfast. 2. Charles Robert, of whom further. 3. Cora J., born September 18, 1852, who married Alexander Leith, a banker of Scotch birth, since deceased. 4. A child who died in infancy.

Charles Robert Coombs, son of Robert Coombs (3) and Harriet E. (Pendleton) Coombs, was born March 20, 1862, in Belfast, three months before the death of his grandfather, which also occurred in Belfast. Charles Robert Coombs attended the public schools of his birthplace. Between the ages of nine and eleven, he went to England with his mother, as his father was at sea at that time. While in England he continued his schooling in the public schools, and upon returning to the United States concluded his academic education in Belfast, Maine. As he had a bent for commercial affairs, he entered the already famed Bryant and Stratton Business College in Boston. In the month of February, 1882, he returned to Belfast to take charge of the furniture and undertaking business that his father had purchased. When his father died, November 7, 1897, Mr. Coombs disposed of the furniture lines and devoted his direction exclusively to the mortuary endeavor. With this he continued to be occupied throughout his career, and under his skilled management the business grew to large proportions. In a history of the locality published in 1928, when Charles

Robert Coombs still managed the enterprise, it was written of the Coombs Funeral Home:

"It is one of the few modernly appointed funeral homes in this neighborhood, and, in the forty-odd years of its management has supplied services for more than five thousand people."

A Republican in his political beliefs, Charles Robert Coombs was loyal to his party, served as mayor of Belfast, and always kept the interests of the community foremost as a goal. He was at one time president of the Belfast Board of Trade, and was a figure in the social and fraternal life of the town. He was active in Masonry, and in the lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and served tirelessly in home front activities during World War I. He was a Unitarian in his religious faith, active in the work of that church in his community. A kindly and great-hearted man, his contributions to charitable and kindred causes were without reckoning. He was highly esteemed in his community.

Charles Robert Coombs married, on September 3, 1902, in Belfast, Helena C. Matthews, who was a native of Cambridge, Massachusetts, born January 11, 1872. She was a daughter of J. M. and Carrie M. (Couillard) Matthews; and her father, who was a native of Warren, Maine, served the Union cause during the Civil War. He was engaged in the printing business, and died at an early age. His wife for a number of years followed the vocation of schoolteacher. Charles Robert and Helena C. (Matthews) Coombs became the parents of two children: Horace M., of whom further, and Alice, who was born January 6, 1912.

Horace M. Coombs attended Belfast schools, and graduated from high school in that community in 1928. He then



entered Hebron Academy, class of 1929, and completed his formal education at the New England Institute of Anatomy, Sanitary Science and Embalming, from which he was graduated in 1932. He has been associated with the Coombs Funeral Home in Belfast ever since that time, at first in association with his father, and at the latter's death in August, 1940, assuming responsibility for its management himself. Mr. Coombs has directed the services of the mortuary since that time, and it has continued as one of the most impressive and ably managed funeral homes in this part of the state. It is now located at 18 Church Street.

Active in community work, Mr. Coombs is a director of the Waldo County General Hospital, the Belfast Boys' Club, and the Home for Aged Women. As a loyal Republican he has served both the party and the electorate of his district well as a representative in the Maine Legislature, where he held his seat in the House of Representatives for two terms, ably voicing the views of his constituents. Professionally, Mr. Coombs is a member of the National Funeral Directors Association, and the Maine Funeral Directors Association.

Fraternally, he is prominently identified with a number of Masonic organizations, is a member of the York Rite, and holds the Thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite. In the York Rite, he is past master of the Phoenix Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; past high priest of the Corinthian Royal Arch Chapter, past illustrious master of the King Solomon Council; past commander of the Palestine Commandery; and prelate of De Bouillon Conclave No. 4 of the Red Cross of Constantine. As a Thirty-second degree Mason, Mr. Coombs is a member of Anah Temple of the Ancient

Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Bangor, and is president of the Waldo Shrine Club, as well as president of the Masonic Temple Association. He is a member of the Past Officers Association No. 1 of Maine, and a member of Primrose Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Mr. Coombs is also a member of the Grandview Grange, in Northport, of the Patrons of Husbandry; of the United Commercial Travelers of Bangor; and of the Belfast Lions Club of which he is past president. His membership in the Belfast Stamp Club is indicative of his special hobby interest; and he belongs also to the Waldo County Fish and Game Association. He and his family worship at the First Church of Belfast.

At Bucksport, Maine, October 4, 1941, Horace M. Coombs married Ruth Evelyn Grunwald of that city, daughter of Arthur R. and Maude Lewis Grunwald. Mrs. Coombs is past president of the Belfast Business and Professional Women's Club, a member of the Women's League of the First Church; a member of the Waldo County Hospital Aid, of the Grandview Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, and of Primrose Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. Mr. and Mrs. Coombs have a daughter, Bonnie Marie, born February 10, 1949.

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#### **COLLETT, Ray Eugene**

One of the large industries in Eastern Maine is the Brewer Manufacturing Company, once located in Brewer but now at Old Town up the Penobscot River. Of this nationally known concern Ray Eugene Collett is vice president, and as executive of the firm is prominent in the affairs not only of Old Town but also of Brewer, where he lives. Mr. Collett has served on various public boards in Brewer



and is also well-known in Rotary, having been an officer of Rotary International.

He was born at Bangor on September 25, 1903, the son of H. Eugene and Charlotte (Ray) Collett. His father, a banker, founded the Brewer Manufacturing Company in Brewer in 1921. His grandfather was Job Collett, who came to America from Wilkesham, England, in the early part of the Nineteenth Century and settled at Bangor, where he became a file manufacturer.

Ray E. Collett was educated in the Brewer High School, attended Phillips Exeter Academy, and graduated from Bowdoin College in 1925. From Bowdoin he received the degree of Bachelor of Science.

Just as soon as he left college Mr. Collett joined his father in the administration of the Brewer Manufacturing Company. At first he was secretary of the company, but he later assumed his present office of vice president. The company's original plant in Brewer burned down, and, because no other place was available, the Colletts moved up the river to Old Town. Here the company now occupies one hundred thousand square feet of floor space in three plants, employing about one hundred and fifty persons. Its chief products are paint brush handles and shaving bowls, but it manufactures many other specialty products, all of which are distributed throughout the United States.

Mr. Collett's prominence at Brewer has been mentioned. A Republican, he is noted for his strong convictions on the subject of good, non-partisan government, especially on the municipal level. He was a member of the Brewer Board of Appeals and the Brewer Planning Commission. In 1948 he was elected to the Brewer City Council and at that time he

made a statement to The Brewer Commercial, at its request, which is characteristic of his views: "Every citizen should be interested enough in his community to offer his services and if selected by the voters to serve it to the best of his ability. City government should be non-political to be the most efficient. I am firmly convinced that the manager form of city government, with the co-operation and guidance of a unified council, will result in the most efficient use of our tax dollar for all the various services required." Rotary is another strong interest of Mr. Collett's. He is past president of the Old Town club and in the year 1947-1948 was District Governor of the 193rd District of Rotary International. He worships in the Congregational Church.

Mr. Collett married Ethelle Cleale, daughter of Ralph and Mae Cleale, at Quincy, Massachusetts, on June 22, 1925. They are the parents of two daughters: Nancy, born on August 15, 1927, who, having studied at Brewer High School, Lasell Junior College of Auburndale, Massachusetts, and Boston Nursery Training School, is now teaching nursery school; and Linda, who was born on September 7, 1940. Mr. and Mrs. Collett had a son, Job Collett, II, named for his great-grandfather, who was born on February 23, 1931, and died in August, 1939. The Collett residence is at 350 Main Street, Brewer.

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#### **WARREN, Milroy**

Like that of Peacock, the name of Warren is associated with leadership of extraordinary caliber in the vast fishing industry of Maine and especially in the sardine and herring industry of the nation. One of those who have helped take the Warren name to fame in the business is Milroy Warren, treasurer of the R. J.



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Peacock Canning Company, Inc., with headquarters at Lubec, in far eastern Maine. Mr. Warren is prominent in organizations of the fishing trade and in civic and fraternal groups. A military veteran of World War I, he was active in many home-front programs in World War II.

He was born in Denmark, Maine, on November 27, 1891, the son of Lester Warren, who died in 1905, and Carrie (Chadbourn) Warren, who died in 1909. After attending public schools in his native town, Milroy Warren became a student at Oak Grove Seminary, Vassalboro. In 1914 he was graduated from Colby College at Waterville with the degree of Bachelor of Science. On completing his education, Mr. Warren entered the fishing industry. When the United States declared war on Germany and the other Central Powers in 1917, he enlisted in the United States Army and then obtained transfer to the air corps. In this he served until the end of World War I. In 1918 Mr. Warren became associated with the R. J. Peacock Canning Company, Inc., founded in that year by Robert J. Peacock, who, also in that year, became Mr. Warren's father-in-law.

Mr. Warren is now treasurer of the company, which has plants in Lubec, employing one hundred and fifty and established in 1918; in Portland, employing three hundred and established in 1928, and in Eastport, employing one hundred and fifty and established in 1936. The plant at Eastport, which has been completely modernized, departing from the traditional design in the sardine industry, is the only land-based sardine plant on the Coast. The company is headed by Mr. Warren's brother-in-law, Carroll Benjamin Peacock, the story of whose life and career is told on other pages of

this history of Modern Maine. The company now processes annually four hundred and fifty thousand cases of one hundred cans each.

Mr. Warren has taken an active part in the civic affairs of all three communities in which the Peacock plants are located. In World War II, he participated in War Bond sales, in salvage and other campaigns, and was otherwise active in the all-out victory effort. He is a director of the Associated Fish Industries of Eastport and of the Bar Harbor Banking and Trust Company. He also belongs to the Blue Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and the Lubec Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Washington County Chamber of Commerce. He worships in the Congregational Church and is a Republican.

Mr. Warren married Lois Peacock of Lubec, the daughter of Robert J. and Minnie L. (Trott) Peacock, in Lubec on October 22, 1918. Mr. and Mrs. Warren are the parents of four children: 1. Dorothy Lois, now Mrs. Berley Crane, born in 1919. 2. James Lester, born in 1920. 3. John Gilbert, born in 1928. 4. Robert Peacock, born in 1934.

The daughter, Mrs. Crane, was educated at the Walnut Hill School, Natick, Massachusetts, and the University of Maine, from which she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1942. Her husband, who comes from Whiting, Maine, is now associated with Mr. Warren in the Peacock enterprises. A veteran of World War II, he served with the United States Army Coast Artillery in the European and African theaters. At the time of his separation from the service in 1945, he was a captain. Mr. and Mrs. Crane have two daughters, Susan and Betsie Crane.

James Lester Warren is manager of

the Eastport plant of the R. J. Peacock Canning Company, Inc. He was educated at the Deerfield Academy in Massachusetts and Bowdoin College. From Bowdoin he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1946, though he was actually a member of the class of 1943, his service in World War II having delayed the award of the degree. In the war he was with the United States Navy in the Pacific theater, and he held the rank of chief petty officer. He was separated from the naval service in 1946. He married Catharine McCurdy of Lubec.

John Gilbert Warren also studied at Deerfield Academy. In addition, he went to Bryant and Stratton Business College in Boston. In World War II, he served with the United States Navy Air Corps and was separated from the service in 1946.

Milroy Warren's youngest son, Robert Peacock Warren, was in 1949 a student at Deerfield Academy. Mr. Warren's office address is 2 Water Street, Lubec. His home is on Main Street.

#### **PEACOCK, Carroll Benjamin**

Holder of a name honored in the fishing industry of the nation, Carroll Benjamin Peacock is president of the R. J. Peacock Canning Company of Lubec, a firm operating plants for the canning of sardines and smoked herrings in Lubec, Eastport and Portland. Mr. Peacock is also associated with the Holmes Packing Company and the Associated Fish Products Company and is one of Maine's outstanding Republicans. He has served in the Maine State Legislature and is chairman of the Lubec Water and Electric Commission. In World War II he served with the Selective Service System in Maine.

Mr. Peacock was born in Lubec on Oc-

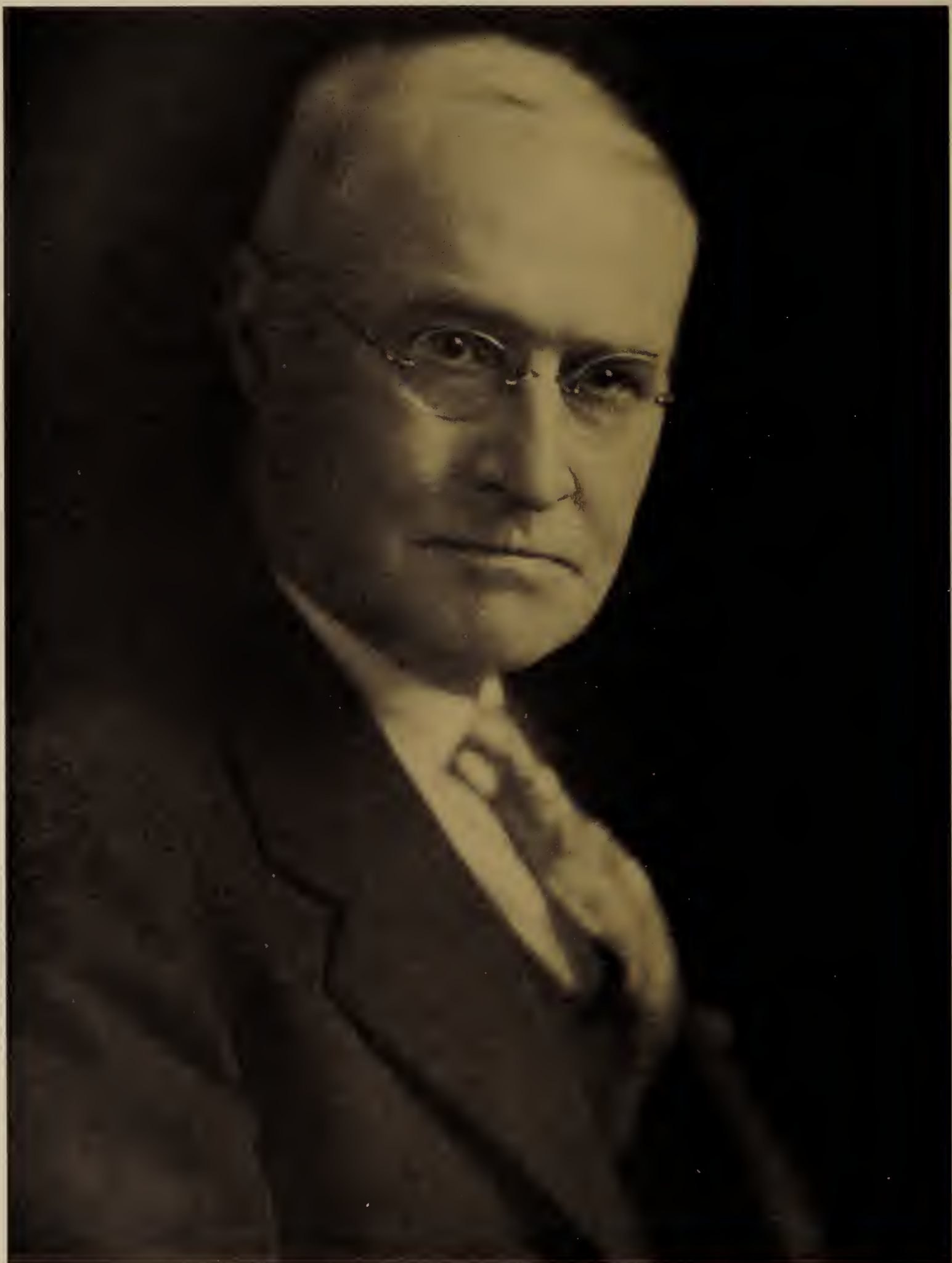
tober 24, 1899, the son of Robert James Peacock, who was a leader in the sardine and herring business in New England, and Minnie L. (Trott) Peacock. Robert J. Peacock entered the sardine business in 1894. He founded the R. J. Peacock Canning Company, Inc., in 1918, and until his death in 1933 so administered it that it became one of the biggest firms in the business. He was active in the public and political affairs of his state and for several years was chairman of the Maine State Republican Central Committee. Mrs. Peacock also died in 1933.

Carroll Benjamin Peacock was educated in the Lubec High School, the Governor Dummer Academy and Wentworth Institute, graduating from the last-named in 1919. Late in 1918, when he was nineteen years old, he enlisted in the United States Army, determined, despite his youth, to do his share in fighting World War I. But two weeks after his enlistment, the Armistice of 1918 was signed. He had not begun his training.

When, in 1918, his father established the Peacock enterprises, Carroll Peacock became associated with the business. Today he is its president. The company's first plant was in Lubec. The second plant was built in Portland in 1928 and the third plant in Eastport in 1936. The plants have an output, annually, of over five hundred thousand cases of sardines and smoked herrings, there being one hundred cans to the case. The Eastport plant, completely modernized, has a packing room with 11,505 square feet of floor space. This plant is the only land-based sardine plant on the coast. The walls are nearly entirely of glass and there are overhead trolleys which eliminate fish racks; insulated steam boxes and driers built like double tunnels to keep fish moving at precision-timed speed







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from the time they hit the flakes. The second-floor packing room is duplicated below stairs with equal space and expanse of glass walls. Ten brine tanks, of ten hogshead capacity each, accommodate one hundred hogsheads of fish at once. An all-metal fish elevator with bucket conveyor can be geared to bring the fish to the packing room at the rate of twenty-five hogsheads an hour if desired. A sprinkler system has been installed and the office has been air-conditioned. In 1949 the plant was still undergoing further modernization and new machinery was being added. It was planned to be one of the most mechanized plants in all Quoddy—matched only by the Peacock plant in Lubec. The operations have been under the direction not only of Mr. Peacock but also James Warren, the manager; Burleigh Crane, assistant manager; and Harry Follis, superintendent. Mr. Warren is the son of Milroy Warren, treasurer of the company and brother-in-law of Mr. Peacock. Mr. Warren's career is described in a separate biography appearing elsewhere in this history of Modern Maine.

As has been indicated, Mr. Peacock is well known in other spheres of activity. He is a leading Republican of Maine and he served in the legislature from 1931 to 1933. He was a member of the sea and shore fisheries committee of the House of Representatives and was instrumental in obtaining the enactment of a law making it illegal in Maine for anyone to catch and retain lobsters less than three and one-eighth inches or more than five inches in length, measured along the back. This law has been credited with having perpetuated Maine's lobster industry. In the World War II period, Mr. Peacock served on the Appeals Board of the Selective Service System for the State of

Maine. He is a director of the Holmes Packing Company, the Associated Fish Products Company and the Maine Publicity Bureau. Since 1931 he has been chairman of the Lubec Water and Electric Department. He is a member of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce, the Lubec Chamber of Commerce, the Lubec Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and such fraternal groups as the Rebekahs, the Order of the Eastern Star; the Blue Lodge in Lubec of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; the Royal Arch Masons, the Royal and Select Masons, the Knights Templar and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Bangor. He worships in the Congregational Church.

Mr. Peacock married Sara Marston, daughter of Samuel and Alice Marston, in Lubec on December 10, 1921. They are the parents of two children: 1. Marie Marston, now Mrs. George H. Dresser, who was born on December 14, 1922. 2. Robert Samuel, who was born on October 19, 1925.

Mrs. Dresser was educated in the Lubec elementary and high schools, the Walnut Hill School at Natick, Massachusetts, and at Smith College. Her husband, who was born at East Weymouth, Massachusetts, served with the United States Coast Guard in World War II. He is now associated with his father in the belting business in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Dresser have two children: i. Marie Peacock Dresser, Jr. ii. Richard Dresser. Robert Samuel Peacock was educated in the Lubec High School and the Maine Maritime Academy at Castine and at the University of Maine. Though a member of the class of 1944, he obtained his degree at the university in 1950, the delay having been caused by his service in

World War II. He was a lieutenant junior grade in the United States Navy and served aboard a destroyer. He married Nancy Hall of Ocean City, New Jersey, and Greenville, Maine, and they have one son, Robert James, born May 5, 1949.

Mr. Peacock's office is at 72 Water Street, Lubec. His home on Summer Street.

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#### **RUSH, Frank William**

Extensively engaged in the lumber industry, Frank William Rush operates his own sawmill in Millinocket. When he first came to this community it was nothing more than a wilderness, the only establishment having been that of the Great Northern Paper Company, and he has played an important role in the growth and progress of Millinocket. His present company is known as Frank W. Rush and Sons, Inc.

Mr. Rush was born May 6, 1875, at Benedicta, Maine, son of John and Cathryn (Crabb) Rush and member of an old family of German origin. Both his parents are now deceased; his mother died in 1902. Public schools at Benedicta provided Frank William Rush's formal education and at an early period he was engaged in the active work of his career. From the beginning, his path was a difficult one. Variouslly employed, he became a carpenter while still very young and in that capacity first came to Millinocket on June 15, 1899. Afterward he started his own business as a contractor, building more than half the houses in Millinocket. Subsequently the lumber business here attracted him, and he set up his own sawmill, where lumber is now manufactured on a large scale for shipment throughout the United States. Mr. Rush incorporated his business under its present name of Frank W. Rush and Sons, Inc., in 1945.

Recognized as one of the outstanding citizens in this region of Maine, Mr. Rush has interested himself in a wide variety of activities embracing business, political, and civic life. He is a director of the Millinocket Trust Company. A Democrat in politics, he has served as town treasurer of Millinocket for more than a quarter of a century. Formerly he was president of the local chamber of commerce, and in World War I he served locally as food administrator. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, and the Modern Woodmen of America. A Catholic in his religious faith, Mr. Rush is a member of the church of St. Martin of Tours.

Frank William Rush married, June 20, 1900, at Millinocket, Agnes Boynton, who died April 26, 1944, daughter of Richard and Mary Ann (Duffy) Boynton. Mr. and Mrs. Rush became the parents of the following children: 1. Harold, born in 1901, attended Millinocket High School, married Hilda Michaud, of this place. 2. Raymond, born in 1903, attended Millinocket High School and the University of Maine, now secretary of Frank W. Rush and Sons, Inc.; married Isabel Luke of Millinocket and they became the parents of two children, Robert and Elizabeth Rush. 3. Mary, born in 1904,\* died in infancy. 4. Irene, born in 1905, attended Millinocket High School; married Ira Miller and became the mother of their three children: Ira, Irene, and Maynard Miller. 5. Lillian, born in 1906, attended Millinocket High School, married William Hayes, of Bangor. 6. Frank E., born in 1907, attended Millinocket High School and St. Mary's College, Van Buren, Maine, associated in business with his father; he married Betty Vance, and they became the parents of a son, Frank W.



Rush. 7. Frederick William, born November 27, 1909, attended Millinocket High School and St. Mary's College. He married Frances Civiello, and they became the parents of two children: Donald Rush, born June 12, 1946, and Michael Rush, born December 18, 1947. 8. & 9. Dorothy and Donald, both died in 1910 at the age of eight months. 10. Agnes, born in 1911, attended Millinocket High School and the Teachers' Normal School, Presque Isle, Maine; she became the wife of Frank Bishop, a contractor, and the mother of their two sons, Thomas and Richard Bishop. 11. Anna, born in 1913, attended Millinocket High School and Peabody Business College, Bangor; she became the wife of Harold Sheehan, of Bangor and the mother of their three daughters: Janice, Ann, and Judith Sheehan. 12. Richard, born in 1915, attended Millinocket High School, served in the Army Air Corps in the Pacific Theater of Operations in World War II until honorably discharged as a sergeant in 1945, then became associated in business with his father. He married Mildred Wheaton, and they became the parents of two children, David and Susan Rush. 13. Bernard Joseph, born May 9, 1919, attended Millinocket High School, enlisted in the Army in 1942 and served with the Airborne Paratroopers (engineers) in the European Theater of Operations in World War II until honorably discharged as a sergeant in October, 1945; he married Jean Soucy, and they became the parents of a son, Gary Rush.

#### **McNAMARA, Wesley Camp, M.D.**

Engaged in a practice of medicine in Lincoln, Dr. Wesley Camp McNamara occupies a prominent place in professional circles in Maine.

Dr. McNamara was born May 17, 1895,

in New Brunswick, Canada, son of John and Tarmar (Camp) McNamara. His mother died in 1914, and his father in 1932.

New Brunswick public schools provided Dr. Welsey Camp McNamara's early education, and he attended the Provincial Normal School in Fredericton, New Brunswick in 1912 and 1913. He then entered Mt. Allison University in Sackville, New Brunswick, where he received his premedical training, which he completed in 1921. For his medical studies, he entered McGill University, in Montreal, where he received the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1927. Before taking up medicine as his life's work, Dr. McNamara taught at a school of rehabilitation for soldiers returning from World War I, having been so engaged from June, 1918, to November, 1920. He served an internship at Jeffrey Hale Hospital, in Quebec, then practiced for a year, in 1928 and 1929, at Brownville Junction, Maine. Opening his own office at 8 Lee Street, Lincoln, in September, 1929, Dr. McNamara proceeded to establish himself firmly in his profession in this community. Still carrying on his professional work from this office, he also distinguishes himself by his extensive hospital and institutional activity.

In addition to being a member of the courtesy staff of Eastern Maine General Hospital, he is medical examiner for a number of large insurance companies, including Aetna, Metropolitan Life, New York Life, John Hancock and other companies. He has been medical examiner of Penobscot County since 1943, and is the approved physician for the veterans in this area. He belongs to the Penobscot County Medical Association, the Maine State Medical Association, and the American Medical Association. During World



War I, Dr. McNamara served in the Canadian Expeditionary Forces as a member of the Twenty-sixth Battalion, from 1915 until honorably discharged in May, 1918. Much of that period of service took place in Europe. In World War II, he served as examining physician of the Selective Service Board in his community, and he began a similar service in 1948 with the peace-time draft organization. In the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, he belongs to the Lincoln Lodge and the local chapter of Royal Arch Masons. He is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Methodist Church.

Dr. Wesley Camp McNamara married, March 31, 1931, at Levant, Maine, Ruth Peabody, daughter of Francis S. and Harriet (French) Peabody.

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#### **HOLMES, Clyde Bartlett, Sr.**

One of Belfast's active business men, and civic leader, Clyde Bartlett Holmes, Sr., has engaged in numerous enterprises since 1911 when he established the Consumers Fuel Company, Inc., of which he is president and treasurer. The company deals extensively in solid fuels, fuel oil, heating equipment, and fertilizers.

Clyde Bartlett Holmes was born May 27, 1884 at Waldo, the son of George Orlando and Laura I. (Bartlett) Holmes; the Holmes family being of English and Scottish ancestry. He graduated from Belfast High School in 1905, after which he studied at the George W. Vanderbilt School of Forestry at Biltmore, North Carolina, where he graduated in 1908. He then entered the employ of the Great Northern Paper Company, and during the two years that he spent in the employ of this concern organized its first forestry department, as well as engaging in the mapping of timber lands, logging camps

and similar activities. In 1910 Mr. Holmes purchased timberlands of his own and set up his own sawmill, hauling the timber by oxen. He continued this activity for a year. He then purchased the Swan & Sibley Company and on October 2, 1911, went into the fuel and fertilizer business under the name of the Consumers Fuel Company, Inc., of Belfast, dealers in solid fuels and fertilizers. In 1921 he purchased the Belfast Fuel and Hay Company which became a part of the Consumers Fuel Company, Inc., adding fuel oils and heating equipment to the business. This company has done a large business ever since. Mr. Holmes is president and treasurer of the Consumers Fuel Company, Inc. In 1930 he purchased the Gibbons Coal Company at Bath and operated it for sixteen years, serving as president and treasurer of the company until 1946, when he sold out. Another purchase of the early thirties was the Stone & Cooper Coal Company of Augusta, which Mr. Holmes bought in 1933 and of which he is president and treasurer. From 1936 to June, 1948, he was treasurer of the Kennebec Towage Company, which he established in 1936 to carry on towage for the coal companies at Bath, Augusta, and Belfast. In 1943 he organized another towage company, this time in Bath and known as the Eastern Maine Towage Company. Mr. Holmes is treasurer of this company, of which his son, Clyde Bartlett Holmes, Jr., is general manager; the president of the company being W. S. Newell of Bath. Mr. Holmes is a director of the First National Bank of Belfast, having been elected in 1932. A Democrat in his political affiliations, he is a past member of the Belfast City Council. For many years Mr. Holmes has served on the board of directors of the Waldo County Hospital, and he is also a director of

the Belfast Youth Center and otherwise active in civic affairs. He is a member of the Belfast Rotary Club, and fraternally is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Royal Arch Masons, Knights Templar, and Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, holding the Thirty-second degree in the Masonic order. He and his family are members of the First Church in Belfast, Maine.

In June, 1914, Clyde Bartlett Holmes married Evelyn Morison, the daughter of Edward and Clara A. Morison of Belfast. Mrs. Holmes is a graduate of the School of Design, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes are the parents of three children: 1. Rebecca Mathews, born May 17, 1915. She attended Belfast High School and graduated from Oak Grove School for Girls, Vassalboro, after which she attended Connecticut College for Women and studied art at the Art Students League in New York City. On June 29, 1940, she married Charles B. Hazeltine, Jr., a graduate of the United States Military Academy, West Point, who was born in 1917 in San Antonio, Texas, the son of Colonel Charles B. and Margaret Cahill Hazeltine. During World War II he served as a member of General Stilwell's headquarters and attained the rank of lieutenant colonel which he still holds. Col. Hazeltine is now serving on an assignment in Austria, with the Army of Occupation. He and Rebecca (Holmes) Hazeltine are the parents of two sons: Jock Bartlett, born May 23, 1948; and Timothy Mathews, born October 18, 1949. 2. Clyde Bartlett Holmes, Jr., born May 2, 1917. He attended Belfast High School, Deerfield Academy and Bowdoin College, from which he graduated in 1940 with the degree of Bachelor

of Arts. During World War II he served in the United States Army, entering service in 1942 and being assigned to the signal corps. He served in the Pacific Theater of Operations, and was discharged in April, 1946, with the rank of first lieutenant. He is now associated with his father in business and is vice president and general manager of the Eastern Maine Towage Company of Belfast. He married Pauline Hanson on February 22, 1941, and they have a son, Clyde Bartlett Holmes, III, born October 13, 1946, and a daughter, Candace Ann, born August 16, 1949. 3. Avis Morison Holmes, born May 31, 1919. She graduated from Belfast High School and attended Connecticut College for Women. She married, February 4, 1944, William B. Howells, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, a graduate of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, and now associated with the Shell Oil Company of Boston. William B. Howells served in Greenland for two years in World War II as a staff sergeant in the Weather Service of the United States Army Air Force. They have two children: Rebecca Anne and Lauralyn.

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#### WRIGHT, Otis Clarence

Prominent among the citizens who have contributed to the progress and prosperity of the choice potato section of northeastern Aroostook County, is the Wright family, father and son, who came from the Province of New Brunswick. The older man, Frederick T. Wright, now retired, was born at Four Falls in the Province of New Brunswick. He studied for the Christian ministry, and was a clergyman of the Reformed Baptist Church for approximately a quarter of a century. Later he became a farmer near Fort Fair-



field. He married Frances Harriett Nye, a native of Gordonsville, New Brunswick, and their son, Otis Clarence Wright, was born in Gordonsville, Carlton County, New Brunswick, Canada, on April 11, 1915.

Educated in the public schools of Fort Fairfield, Otis Clarence Wright was graduated from the local high school with the class of 1934. Deciding to engage in something different from agriculture, he spent four years with the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad, before becoming associated with his father in farming. He purchased a two hundred and forty acre place in 1939, and acquired his second farm of one hundred and thirty acres in 1944. Mr. Wright has since worked both farms, with seed potatoes being his principal crop. In 1949 he had one hundred and eleven acres planted in this special crop. In the peak seasons he gives employment to above thirty-five people, and he is rated high among the potato growers of the county in his ability to obtain large production.

Mr. Wright is a director of the Fort Fairfield Production Credit Association, and figures prominently in the local Rotary Club, of which he is a past president. In politics he is a Republican. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Eastern Frontier Lodge No. 112, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Garfield Chapter No. 48, Royal Arch Masons; St. Aldemar Commandery No. 17, Knights Templar; and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Baptist Church and liberal in the support of charitable projects.

On May 8, 1937, at Perth, New Brunswick, Otis Clarence Wright married Charlotte Morrell, daughter of Charles and Addie (Hitchcock) Morrell. Mr. and

Mrs. Wright are the parents of two children: 1. Otis Clarence, Jr., born November 24, 1940. 2. Ruth Ann, born July 12, 1945.

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#### **LARRABEE, Joseph White**

A variety of activities centering about farming and public service constitutes the career of Joseph White Larrabee. He operates a large farm which has been in the family for generations, and holds several political offices.

Mr. Larrabee was born November 18, 1890, in West Bath, son of Fred Wiley and Ada E. (White) Larrabee. He attended public schools in Bath, and early turned his attention to the family interests in connection with their large one-hundred-acre farm in West Bath. This farm property was originally a grant from the English king many generations ago, and one or another member of the White family has operated it since that time. For seven years, Mr. Larrabee also operated a grain business at Brunswick, and for five years he was connected with soil conservation work in Sagadahoc County with the United States Government. In 1937 he became associated with Rockhill Inn, in the management of which he has continued active down to the time of writing.

A Republican in his political views, Mr. Larrabee was elected to the lower house of the Maine State Legislature for the Eighty-eighth and Eighty-ninth sessions, then was elected to the State Senate for the Ninetieth session for service through 1949 and 1950. His committee assignments in the Senate include membership in the Sea and Shore Fisheries Committee, the State Hospital Committee, and the Committee on Claims, as well as the chairmanship of the Committee on Interior Waters. For six years, Mr. Larrabee was





*Joseph W. Larrabee*



a member of the Bath School Board. For many years he served on the Board of Road Commissioners, and he also has been chairman of the Board of Selectmen in his community.

He is Past Master of Topsham Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, and a member of the Farm Bureau and the Knights of Pythias. In the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, he is particularly active. He represented this district of Maine as a member of the Maine State Committee at the Elks National Convention in Cleveland in July, 1949. At that convention, Maine received considerable publicity, particularly in connection with the variety of products originating in this state. Fisheries were extensively represented, as were the Maine-operated distilleries and wineries, many of whose products were distributed at the convention. Mr. Larrabee and Edward J. McMann, former state president of the Maine Elks Association and chairman of the State Committee in 1949, used a large room in Cleveland's Hotel Statler as the "Maine Room" for the occasion, serving these delicious products to guests from all parts of the United States, as well as Panama, Alaska and Hawaii. At the same gathering, the guests voted Maine's sardine sandwiches as outstanding. Mr. Larrabee is also active in the Congregational Church in Bath.

Joseph White Larrabee married December 9, 1911, in Bath, Emma May Sheldon, daughter of Laberton D. and Sadie C. (Campbell) Sheldon. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Walter Woodrow, born October 1, 1912, attended Bath High School, married Margaret Mariner of Topsham; they became the parents of three children: William Arthur, David Eugene and Joseph White Larrabee. 2. Antress Cora, born May 31,

1914, attended Bath High School, married Trafton M. Swain, who serves as an employe of the Portsmouth Navy Yard; they live at York Village, and are the parents of two children: Deborah Anne Swain and Marvin Edward. 3. Emily Marie, born May 7, 1918, attended Bath High School, married Edward J. McMann, connected with the United States Post Office at Bath; they became the parents of two children: Jean Antra and Marie Frances McMann.

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#### **SILSBY, William Sands**

William Sands Silsby has practiced law in Ellsworth since 1937 and is very active in public affairs in this section of Maine. He is the fourth generation of the Silsby family to represent the district in the Maine Legislature, his great grandfather, Samuel Silsby, having served in 1837. He is president of the Union River Electric Company and serves on the board of directors of a number of other local enterprises.

William Sands Silsby was born May 15, 1902, in Aurora, the son of Herbert Trafton and Margaret (Schoppee) Silsby. The Silsby family originated in England, where the name was formerly spelled Silsbee. As mentioned above, Samuel Silsby, great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was a member of the Maine Legislature in 1837, and this district was later represented in the legislature by Mr. Silsby's grandfather, Charles Silsby, and by his father, Herbert T. Silsby. Herbert T. Silsby, who was in the lumber business at Aurora, died on September 11, 1936.

William Sands Silsby graduated from the Bangor High School and attended Maine Central Institute until 1920. He was associated with his father in the lumber business at Aurora from 1921 to



1934. He then decided to study law and became a student at the Suffolk Law School in Boston, from which he was graduated in 1937 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to the Maine bar in September, 1936, and opened an office in Ellsworth for the general practice of law on March 29, 1937. Since then he has built up a substantial practice.

An active Republican, Mr. Silsby serves as treasurer of the Hancock County Republican committee. He was appeals agent for Hancock County draftees during World War II and continues to serve as appeals agent for the peacetime draft. In Aurora he had served as selectman from 1923 to 1932. Mr. Silsby served as a member of the Maine House of Representatives in the Ninety-third Legislature and has been re-elected to serve in the Ninety-fourth Legislature in 1949-50. He is a member of the judiciary committee and the legislative research committee. He belongs to the county, state, and American bar associations. He serves as president of the Union River Electric Company and is a director of the Union River Telephone Company, of the Northeastern Packing Company and the Airline Lumber Company, and he is also a director of Camp Four Winds for Girls. Fraternally Mr. Silsby is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Royal Arch Masons, Knights Templar and Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and he is a member of the Masonic Club and also of the Ellsworth Luncheon Club. He attends the Congregational Church.

On July 26, 1924, at Winter Harbor, he married Myrle Coombs, the daughter of Linwood and Emma Coombs of Winter Harbor. Mr. and Mrs. Silsby

are the parents of three children: 1. Herbert Trafton, II, born February 8, 1925. He is a graduate of Ellsworth High School and Bowdoin College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1947, and is now a student at the Boston University Law School. During World War II, he served in the United States Army Infantry replacement program and was stationed at Fort McClellan until 1943, when he was honorably discharged for medical reasons. 2. William Sands, Jr., born August 28, 1927. He graduated from Ellsworth High School and matriculated at Bowdoin College, where he was a member of the class of 1947, but was graduated in 1949, due to the interruption of his war service. He served in the United States Navy on the U. S. S. "Braxton" in the Pacific Theater of Operations. The "Braxton" took the first United States Marines to the area for their landing on Okinawa. William Sands Silsby, Jr., was hospitalized for a long period. He received his honorable discharge on June 6, 1946, after which he returned to Bowdoin College. 3. Beverly Ann, born September 23, 1934, is a sophomore at Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield.

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#### **BARTON, James Oland**

Operating the Barton Funeral Home, James Oland Barton is one of the leading business men of Lincoln.

Mr. Barton was born March 30, 1895, at Debec, New Brunswick, Canada, son of James Robert and Margaret (Sypher) Barton, both of whom are now deceased. He received his early academic education at Ricker Classical Institute, Houlton, then was graduated from the New England Institute of Anatomy and Embalming in 1916. Beginning the active practice of his profession, Mr. Barton was

associated with the R. and E. F. Gleason Funeral Home in Dorchester, Massachusetts, from 1919 to 1922. On May 1, 1922, he came to Lincoln and established the present Barton Funeral Home, in the conduct of which he has been highly successful since that time.

A Republican in politics, he is active in civic affairs and is a past president of the Lions Club of Lincoln. He holds memberships in the Maine Funeral Directors Association, and the National Funeral Directors Association. He belongs also to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, holding the Thirty-second degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. In the Congregational Church, he is president of the Church Club. During World War I, Mr. Barton served in the United States Army, entering the Ninety-first Division, 361st Field Hospital in 1917. For a year he was stationed at Camp Upton Base Hospital, afterward serving for a similar length of time in Europe until honorably discharged in 1919.

James Oland Barton married (first), in June, 1921, at Machias, Adelain Sargent, of Machias. They became the parents of a son, Robert Sargent Barton, born March 8, 1923, who attended Mattawamkeag Academy, spent two years at Colby College, was graduated from the Maine Maritime Academy, then served in the Merchant Marine during World War II as a second mate, after which he took up the study of his father's profession at the New England Institute of Anatomy and Embalming; he married Erma Bither, of Lincoln.

James Oland Barton married (second), in October, 1925, at Lincoln, Louise Knights, daughter of Edwin and Maude (Tobin) Knights of Lincoln. They be-

came the parents of two children: 1. Nadie Elaine, born May 29, 1927, attended Lincoln High School; and Sargent College, Boston University, where she was a member of the class of 1949. 2. James Oland, Jr., born March 6, 1931, a student at Lincoln High School in 1949.

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#### **RAYMOND, Neal Alexander**

For forty-three years Neal A. Raymond has been associated with the M. A. Clark Company of Ellsworth, one of the finest florist and nursery establishments in New England, and since 1942 he has been sole owner of this nursery business. Mr. Raymond has been a member of the Ellsworth city council for several years and is currently its chairman. He is president of the Eastern Memorial Hospital and of the Woodbine Cemetery Association, and is an active supporter of all civic projects that make for the welfare of the community.

Neal A. Raymond was born in Ellsworth on March 25, 1882, the son of Wallace L. and Mary Elizabeth (McQuinn) Raymond, both now deceased. His father died in 1928. Mr. Raymond's formal education was confined to the Ellsworth public schools. After leaving school he worked in lumber camps and at a variety of jobs. In 1905, at the age of twenty-three, he became associated with the M. A. Clark Company, a nursery and florist business which had been established in the latter part of the nineteenth century by Judge George Dutton and was later purchased by Mary A. Clark, well-known botanist and horticulturist. The young man found the work congenial, and as the years passed he learned more and more about the nursery business until he is now considered one of the experts in the field. Upon the death of Miss Clark, Mr. Raymond pur-



chased the business on May 28, 1942. He has gained his success "the hard way" in the good American fashion, and he is highly honored in his community. He takes an active part in all movements for the betterment of the city. A Republican, he has served on the Ellsworth City Council since 1942, and is now chairman of that body. He is a member of the American Horticultural Society. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Royal Arch Masons, the Knights Templar and the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and he is also a member of the Grange and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He belongs to the Masonic Club and to the Ellsworth Luncheon Club. He and his family are Unitarians.

On June 25, 1919, at Ellsworth, Neal A. Raymond was married to Helen Neally, the daughter of Joseph Neally, who was for many years postmaster of Ellsworth. Mrs. Raymond is Past Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star and active in community affairs. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond have one son, John Elliott Raymond, born January 9, 1921. He graduated from Ellsworth High School in 1938 and from Ricker Junior College at Houlton in 1939. During World War II he served in the United States Army, Sixty-eighth Anti-aircraft Regiment in Africa, Italy, France and Germany. He received his honorable discharge in January, 1946 and is now associated in business with his father. He married on November 10, 1945, Georgia McCrea, and they have one child, Jeffrey Edward Raymond, born July 11, 1947.

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**WILSON, Harry Mackay, M.D.**

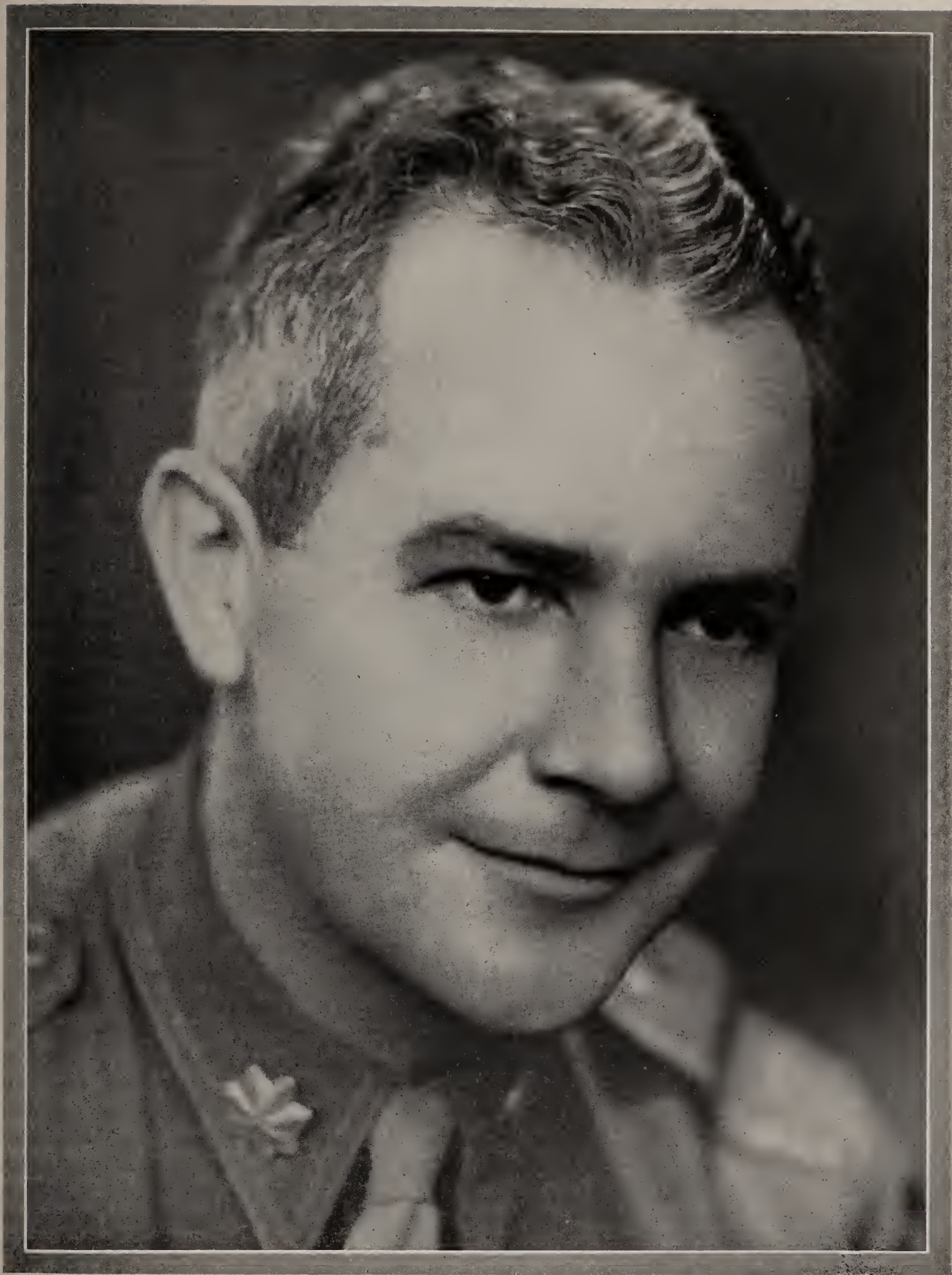
Dr. Harry Mackay Wilson, who has practiced surgery in Maine since 1932,

and in Bath for the last four years, is chief of the surgical staff at the Bath Memorial Hospital, and holds other positions of importance in his community, for which his professional qualifications have prepared him. Dr. Wilson has to his credit an excellent record of military service in the recent World War, during which he held a commission as major and was stationed in the European Theater of Operations. He has many important affiliations with medical societies, for he is a man determined to remain at the forefront of knowledge in his profession.

Dr. Wilson, who is a native of Berlin, New Hampshire, was born June 8, 1905, and is a son of Alexander Wilson and Mary Ellen (Hazzard) Wilson. His father died in 1939, and his mother survived her husband by a decade, passing away in 1949. Harry Mackay Wilson received his primary and secondary education at the public grade and high schools of Berlin, and thereafter entered the University of Vermont, where, in 1929, he received the degree of Bachelor of Science. He continued his professional studies at the University of Vermont Medical School, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in the class of 1932. Dr. Wilson's internship began that year, at the Mary Fletcher Hospital in Burlington, Vermont.

In the fall of the same year, Dr. Wilson came to Maine and, settling in Bethel, began a general practice of surgery. There he continued until July of 1942. A month before that time he had enlisted in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, and he was now called to active service, being commissioned a captain. Stationed in the European Theater of Operations for the duration of the conflict, Dr. Wilson was retired to inactive service in the United States Army Medical Corps Re-





*Harry M. Wilson M.D.*



serve on November 14, 1945. In 1945 he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal by General Hodges.

Dr. Wilson did not return to Bethel but settled in Bath, where he has practiced surgery since February, 1946. As well as serving the needs of a growing circle of patients, Dr. Wilson has become chief of the surgical staff at the Bath Memorial Hospital, and contract surgeon for the American Mutual Company. He also holds appointment as physician for the Bath Iron Works. While at Bethel Dr. Wilson held hospital appointments of importance: he was surgeon at the Rumford Community Hospital, and of the St. Louis Hospital, Berlin, New Hampshire.

Dr. Wilson is a member of the American Medical Association, the Maine State Medical Association, and the Lincoln-Sagadahoc County Medical Association, as well as of Kappa Sigma and Nu Sigma Nu fraternities. He is also a member of the honorary society of Cap and Skull. Since his period of military service, he has been a member of the Association of Military Surgeons. He belongs locally to the Colonial Club, and is an Episcopalian in his religious faith. He is a Republican in his politics.

At Sherbrooke, Province of Quebec, Canada, Harry Mackay Wilson, M.D., married Alberta Howard Wight of Berlin, New Hampshire, the ceremony taking place on July 12, 1927. Mrs. Wilson is a daughter of J. Howard and Alberta (Willard) Wight. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson are the parents of two children: 1. Barbara, born October 11, 1934. 2. Harry Mackay, II, born January 30, 1939. The family's residence, and Dr. Wilson's office, are at 944 Middle Street in Bath.

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#### WHITCOMB, John

In the years he has been operating

Fred C. Lynam and Company, real estate and insurance firm at Bar Harbor, John Whitcomb has become one of the state's outstanding insurance men. His firm represents thirty-eight of the leading insurance companies in the world. Mr. Whitcomb is not only prominent among insurance men but also in civic work, in financial organizations, and the Congregational Church.

He was born at Ellsworth, in Hancock County, on March 11, 1905, the son of Benjamin B. and Katherine E. (Laffin) Whitcomb. The elder Mr. Whitcomb, an attorney, was deputy collector of customs in Hancock County. The Whitcomb family traces its ancestry to England. Benjamin B. Whitcomb died in May, 1926, and is survived by his widow.

John Whitcomb was graduated from the Ellsworth High School in 1921 and from Bowdoin College in 1925, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In 1926 he went to work for Bird and son at East Walpole, Massachusetts. Later the same year, he returned to Ellsworth and was associated there until 1930 with the firm of Whitcomb, Haynes and Whitney. In 1930 he went to New York City and there was with the National Broadcasting Company until 1932. Once more returning to Maine, Mr. Whitcomb operated his own insurance business at Bucksport from 1932 to 1938. This business, called the John Whitcomb Insurance Agency, he sold to Percy Sargent. In 1938 Mr. Whitcomb purchased Fred C. Lynam and Company at Bar Harbor, a firm established by Mr. Lynam in the latter part of the nineteenth century. The thirty-eight companies Mr. Whitcomb represents issue fire, casualty, life and accident insurance. His firm is located at 88 Main Street in Bar Harbor.

In addition to the insurance business,



Mr. Whitcomb is interested in the Bar Harbor Water Company, the Bar Harbor Banking and Trust Company and the Bar Harbor Loan and Building Association, in all three of which he serves on the boards of directors. He is also former president of the Jesup Memorial Library at Bar Harbor. In 1949, he was president of the Lions Club of Bar Harbor and a director of the Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce. He is a member and former president of the Maine Association of Insurance Agents, the National Board of State Directors of the National Association of Insurance Agents, the Masonic Blue Lodge, the Royal Arch Masons, the Knights Templar, and Anah Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Bangor. Also, he belongs to Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity and the Kebo Valley Country Club. He is a director of the state conference of the Congregational Church and in politics is a Republican.

On March 11, 1926, his twenty-first birthday, John Whitcomb married Ruth Whiting, the daughter of William E. and Ethel (Knowlton) Whiting. The ceremony took place in Mr. and Mrs. Whitcomb's native community, Ellsworth. They have become the parents of three children: 1. John Whitcomb, Jr., born on February 11, 1927, a graduate of Bar Harbor High School and of Bowdoin College, where he majored in history and took his degree in 1949; 2. William Whiting Whitcomb, born on March 14, 1930, who was graduated from the Bar Harbor High School in 1949; 3. Mary Nelson Whitcomb, who was born on April 27, 1928 now a junior at the University of Maine. The Whitcomb home is at Hulls Cove, three miles north of Bar Harbor.

#### **BEARCE, George Donham**

One of the outstanding men in Maine's important pulp and paper industry is George Donham Bearce, general manager of the St. Regis Paper Company of Bucksport, which owns approximately six hundred thousand acres of timberlands and employs an average of five hundred and fifty persons. That he is also one of the most forward-looking men in the industry is indicated by his membership on the interim committee to study methods to assure greater productivity of Maine forest lands, appointed by Governor Hildreth. Mr. Bearce takes an active part in community affairs in Bucksport, where he has been a resident since 1935. He served as a town selectman for five years, was chairman of the Hancock County War Chest, and was a member of the Bucksport school board for eight years.

George Donham Bearce was born December 14, 1887 in Hebron, Maine, the son of George D. and Etta (Hutchinson) Bearce. Both parents, of English ancestry, are deceased; the former in 1887, the latter in 1928.

George Donham Bearce was graduated from the Edward Little High School of Auburn in the class of 1907 and from the University of Maine, where he specialized in forestry and received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1911. He served for a year as a teacher and athletic coach at Hebron Academy before becoming associated with the paper industry. He then went to work for the Great Northern Paper Company. After two years with this concern he was associated with the Odell Manufacturing Company at Groveton, New Hampshire, for four years; with the Meade Paper Company of Chillicothe, Ohio, for seven years; with the Newsprint Service Bureau of

New York City for another seven years, this time in the capacity of engineer; and with the International Paper Company of New York and Dalhousie, New Brunswick, Canada, for four years. In 1935 he came to Bucksport, where he became identified with the Maine Seaboard Paper Company. This company was acquired by Time, Inc., in 1945, as the Maine Seaboard Division of Time, Inc., and Mr. Bearce became its vice president and general manager. In 1946 the St. Regis Paper Company took possession. This company has its own timberlands, which amount to about six hundred thousand acres. Mr. Bearce is also vice president of the Bucksport Water Company and vice president of the Ellsworth Forest Products Company. He has written a highly regarded textbook on the manufacture of pulp and paper and is widely known as an authority in this field. He is a member of the interim committee to study the methods of assuring greater productivity of Maine forest lands, and is a member of the Technical Society of the Pulp and Paper Industry, the Maine Association of Engineers, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He is a past member of the Bangor Executive Club and serves on the executive committee of the Maine Associated Industries. Mr. Bearce is also a past president of the Katahdin Council of the Boy Scouts of America. During World War II he headed the Hancock War Chest and was active in all defense projects in the community. He is a past president and a member of the council of the General Alumni Association of the University of Maine, and a member of Beta Theta Pi. His religious ties are with the Congregational Church.

On May 16, 1917, at Boston, George Donham Bearce was married to Katharine

Wells, the daughter of Henry and Lillian (Leslie) Wells. Mr. and Mrs. Bearce are the parents of three children: 1. Mary Leslie Bearce, born July 18, 1918. She graduated from Roosevelt High School in Yonkers, New York, and from the University of Maine, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1939. She also studied at Simmons College for one year. She married Arthur C. Haskell, Jr., of Marblehead, Massachusetts, a graduate in chemical engineering of Northeast College, and during World War II associated with "Manhattan Project" in the production of atomic bombs. Mr. and Mrs. Haskell now live at Kenmore, New York, and have three children: Richard, Judith, and David. 2. Elizabeth Talbot Bearce, born June 27, 1921, a graduate of Bucksport High School and of the University of Maine, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1943. She married Oliver W. Harrison of Bucksport, a graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy and now a lieutenant in the United States Coast Guard. They have one child, Margaret. 3. George D. Bearce, Jr., born November 5, 1922. He attended Bucksport High School and the University of Maine, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Beta Kappa fraternities and graduated in 1943 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. During World War II he served in the United States Army Ordnance Department and spent three and a half years in Europe, receiving his honorable discharge with the rank of captain in 1946. He attended Harvard University Law School for a year and taught English at William and Mary College in 1947-48. He received the degree of Master of Arts at the University of Wisconsin in June, 1949.



**ROPULEWIS, Dr. Edward Joseph**

Engaged in general practice as an osteopathic physician at Old Town since November, 1945, Dr. Ropulewis is on the staff of the Bangor Osteopathic Hospital.

He was born May 14, 1918, at Gardner, Massachusetts, the son of Frank and Teodora (Harasimowicz) Ropulewis. His father, who was a native of Lithuania, came to the United States in 1905 and settled in Gardner, where he became a naturalized American citizen and a craftsman in the chair business. He died in 1934. Dr. Ropulewis's mother is now living with a daughter in Gardner, and a brother, Dr. Joseph F. Ropulewis, is practicing dentistry in Gardner.

Edward Joseph Ropulewis attended the public schools of Gardner and in 1936 was graduated from the Gardner High School. He then became a student at the American International College at Springfield, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in 1941 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. His professional training was received at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy, where he received the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy in the graduating class of 1944. In November, 1945, after a year as intern at the Bangor Osteopathic Hospital, Dr. Ropulewis came to Old Town and opened up his own office at 231 Centre Street. He engages in general practice as an osteopathic physician, and is an associate in obstetrics on the staff of the Bangor Osteopathic Hospital.

Dr. Ropulewis is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the Maine Osteopathic Association and the Penobscot County Osteopathic Association. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and in politics votes an independent ticket. He is a member of the Old Town Rotary Club.

On April 12, 1941, at East Jaffrey, New Hampshire, he married Alice Crossley of Gardner, Massachusetts, the daughter of Mark and Amy Crossley. Mrs. Ropulewis takes an active part in civic affairs. She is a member of the Omega Club and the Women's Society of Christian Science. Dr. and Mrs. Ropulewis have three children: Ann, born March 17, 1945; Jane, born September 24, 1946; and Joan, born September 24, 1948.

**GILLIES, James Archibald**

Identified in executive capacity with a number of Maine's most vital industries, the influence of James Archibald Gillies extends to a number of its cities, among them Portland, Bath and Waterboro. While still a young man he came to the fore in his connection with the lumber industry; and the names of some of the most prominent concerns in that field are associated with his own. His leadership among his colleagues has been amply proven; and Mr. Gillies serves both their organizations, and his state, in official capacities.

A native of New Haven, Connecticut, James Archibald Gillies is a son of James A., Sr., and May (Sweeney) Gillies. His father was also a prominent lumberman, identified with the same companies which his son now heads. After education at the Westminster School at Simsbury, Connecticut, James A. Gillies entered Trinity College, where in 1930 he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In that year he became associated with the firm of Ezra D. Fogg Company, Inc., at New Haven, a concern which had been established since 1848, and is the oldest wholesale wooden box company in the United States. Of this concern, James A. Gillies, Sr., was president, and the younger James A. Gillies now occupies that office.





*James H. Gillis*



May A. Gillies is vice president, and James U. Sweeney is treasurer. In addition to manufacturing a high grade of wooden boxes, the century-old firm produces box shooks and lumber. Its general offices are at New Haven, and mills are located at Bath and at Waterloo, Maine.

Also in 1930, James A. Gillies, Jr., became associated with the Bath Box Company, Inc., a wholesale firm established in 1912, manufacturing box shooks and lumber. This concern can justly boast of having the most modern plant in the country in its line of production. The roster of its officers reads the same as that of the chief executives of the Ezra D. Fogg Company, Inc. The Bath Lumber Company, Retail Division, was established in 1939.

Mr. Gillies is now president of the Ezra D. Fogg Company, Inc., of New Haven; president of the South Portland Plate Yards; president of the South Portland Planing Mill, Inc.; president of the Waterboro Box Company, whose plant was destroyed by fire in 1947; and president of the J. A. Gillies Lumber Company, Inc., whose mills are located at Waterboro, and whose general office is at Bath. Of this manufacturing concern, engaged in logging and sawmill operations, May A. Gillies is vice president, James U. Sweeney is treasurer, and R. C. Varney is manager of the Waterboro mills. Of the Waterboro Box Company, above mentioned, which was engaged in the manufacture of box shooks and lumber, James U. Sweeney is vice president. Its executive offices are at Bath. Another concern with which Mr. Gillies' name is identified is the St. Regis-Whitneyville Sawmill Operation, under Gillies-Clark management. The Gillies-Clark Lumber Company of Machias is operated as a partner-

ship. In addition to his official relationship to the above-mentioned concerns, whose significance in the economic picture, in their respective communities, is considerable, James A. Gillies is a director of the Western Maine Timber Salvage organization, with headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce Building in Portland. Its useful purposes are carried out through the co-operation of many of the industrial leaders of the state of Maine, who serve as its officers or as members of its board of directors. R. E. Cleaves, Jr., is president of Western Maine Timber Salvage, Kenneth M. Hancock is vice president, and Edward E. Fox is treasurer. The membership of its board is comprised of such names as L. C. Andrew, Harvey A. Clark, R. E. Cleaves, Edward V. W. Corney, Harold L. Day, Roger C. Dunn, Donald J. Feeney, Edward E. Fox, John E. Gunter, Kenneth M. Hancock, and Edward Thompson, as well as Mr. Gillies, whose knowledge of the lumber and related industries implement its purposes. Mr. Gillies is also associated with the Van Buren-Madawaska Corporation, of Portland, and is a director of the Eastern Wooden Box Association. He is a member of the interim commission to study methods to assure greater productivity of Maine forest lands, to which he was appointed by Governor Horace Hildreth.

Active in the affairs of his state and of his community, Mr. Gillies serves on the advisory committee of the State of Maine Publicity Bureau; is a member of the Postwar Planning Committee of the city of Bath; and during World War II served as co-ordinator of civilian defense for Sagadahoc County. A Republican in his politics, Mr. Gillies some years ago was elected alderman for Bath, and he has occupied that office five successive terms.



As one of the community's outstanding business leaders, his counsel is highly regarded both in commercial affairs and civic programs. He is co-operative with and interested in any plan for the city's welfare.

James A. Gillies is interested in sports, particularly horses and the outdoor recreations of hunting and fishing. He is president of the Bath Horse Association and a judge of the American Horse Show Association. He is a member of the Sagadahoc Rod and Gun Club, the Bath Country Club, and the Cumberland Club, of Portland. Fraternally he is affiliated with the St. Elmo Delta Phi. In religious faith, he and his family are Roman Catholic, and attend St. Mary's Church.

On April 27, 1931, at New Haven, James Archibald Gillies married Virginia O'Toole of that city, daughter of Edward and Marie O'Toole. Mr. and Mrs. Gillies have become the parents of five children: 1. Bruce, born July 15, 1933. 2. James A., III, born October 27, 1935. 3. Edward Dillon, born November 9, 1938. 4. Gordon, born November 19, 1943. 5. Mary Virginia, born October 10, 1945.

The Gillies family resides in North Bath. Mr. Gillies' business address is 509 Washington Street, Bath.

#### **PHILLIPS, Hervey Barnard**

On January 1, 1949, Hervey Barnard Phillips became president of the Liberty National Bank of Ellsworth. A native of Ellsworth, he was associated with the Addressograph Company of Cleveland for thirty-five years. He returned to Ellsworth several years ago and has become identified with a number of local enterprises, as well as the Liberty National Bank.

Hervey Barnard Phillips was born in Ellsworth on May 28, 1892, the son of

Perley J. and Susan A. (Bowden) Phillips. His father, who was a paper box manufacturer, died in 1925. His mother died in 1937. Mr. Phillips is of Scottish-English descent. After attending the Ellsworth public schools, he entered the employ of the Addressograph Company and for thirty-five years was associated with this company. He worked first in the Boston office. Later he was manager of the Albany, New York, branch of the company, then manager of the New York City branch, and then distributor for the state of New Jersey. From 1944 to June, 1948, he was consultant to the company. Meantime Mr. Phillips had become interested in various business enterprises in Ellsworth. He was instrumental in organizing the Hancock County Cold Storage Company in 1945 and is president of this company, which has 21,360 cubic feet of coolers and 67,570 cubic feet of freezers or a total of 88,930 cubic feet in its plant at 128 Main Street. He was also instrumental in organizing the Murray Machine Corporation, of which he has been president since 1945, and the Keefe & Phillips Lumber Company, dealers in lumber and lumber products, of which he is treasurer. Mr. Phillips has been a member of the board of directors of the Liberty National Bank of Ellsworth since 1945, and in January, 1949, he was elected president of this bank. He is a director of Lucerne Inn, at Lucerne, and serves on the board of trustees of the Eastern Memorial Hospital. In politics Mr. Phillips is a Republican, and he is a member of the Congregational Church. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and both York and Scottish rites, holding the Thirty-second degree of the latter.

He married on October 8, 1913, at Medford, Massachusetts, Wilhelmine Richert,

the daughter of David and Anna Richert. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips have two children: 1. Evelyn Virginia, born in 1914. She attended the East Orange, New Jersey, High School and Middlebury College, in Middlebury, Vermont, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. She married Raymond L. Whitney, a graduate of Middlebury College and now a chemist with the National Lead Company. Mr. and Mrs. Whitney have three children: Michele, Lawrence, and Patricia. 2. Phyllis Richert, born in 1916. She graduated from the East Orange, New Jersey, High School and from the University of Maryland, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. During World War II, she served with the United States Navy WAVES in the rank of lieutenant and was stationed at Hunter College, New York. She married Howard D. Bemis, who during World War II was a lieutenant in the United States Navy on sea duty in the Atlantic Theater of Operations and is now principal of the Jay, Maine, High School. Mr. and Mrs. Bemis have three children: Steven Dana, Patricia Andrea, and Phyllis Anne.

#### **GESNER, Charles Linwood**

The first funeral home of its kind in Waldo County, the Craig-Gesner Memorial Funeral Home at Belfast still maintains its position of leadership among the people of that county. One of its founders was Charles Linwood Gesner, an outstanding citizen of the region. Mr. Gesner is known throughout Maine in funeral directors' circles and also in fraternity activities, especially the Masonic. "He is also known for his civic work and activities on behalf of boys.

He was born at Old Town on November 25, 1909, the son of Isaac S. and Mary A. (Bishop) Gesner. His father

was a mariner who died in 1935. Charles Gesner's great-great-grandfather, William Isaac Gesner, came to Canada from Wales in pre-Revolutionary days. Mary Bishop Gesner's first cousin, William Bishop, was the famed Canadian flying ace of World War I—the only Canadian flier who met the Allied requirements for designation as an ace.

Charles L. Gesner was educated in the public schools of Old Town and was graduated from the Old Town High School in 1929. After experience in various fields, he decided to become embalmer and funeral director, and took training at the McAllister School of Embalming and Funeral Directors in New York City. Graduated from this school on September 30, 1937, he was associated in the next year and a half with various funeral directors in the state of Maine. In July, 1938, the Craig-Gesner Memorial Funeral Home was established at 22 Church Street, Belfast. A half-page advertisement in "The Republican Journal" of Belfast of August 12, 1948, indicates the great growth experienced by this funeral home in ten years. "Craig-Gesner Memorial Tenth Anniversary," is the heading of this advertisement which continues, "Thanking you for your faith and trust in us. In keeping with our tradition of service on our first anniversary, we gave you the first funeral home in Waldo County. On our tenth anniversary we proudly present for your comfort and convenience the first sedan ambulance in Waldo County." Pictured in the advertisement are the large and attractive private residence which is the Craig-Gesner Memorial Funeral Home and the sleek new sedan ambulance.

As operator of this funeral home, Mr. Gesner has become a statewide figure, as well as prominent Belfast and Waldo



County citizen. He is a past president of the Waldo County Game and Fish Association which suggests his recreational interest, and is a member of the board of directors of the Belfast Chamber of Commerce. Also, he is district chairman for Waldo County of the Boy Scouts of America. Among other organizations to which he belongs are the Maine Funeral Directors Association, the National Funeral Directors Association, the Maine State Grange, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Rotary Club of Belfast, and various Masonic bodies. These latter include the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, the York Rite, the Knights Templar and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Bangor. He is a Methodist and a Republican.

Charles Linwood Gesner married Charlotte I. Craig of Old Town, in that community, on July 2, 1935. Mrs. Gesner, who founded the funeral home with her husband, graduated from the McAllister School of Embalming and Funeral Directors on September 30, 1937, and, like her husband, is a licensed embalmer and funeral director. A graduate of the Old Town High School, she has studied at the University of Maine, at Nisson College, and spent three years at a school of osteopathic medicine in Boston. She is the daughter of William E. and Ethel (Badger) Craig of Old Town. Mr. and Mrs. Gesner are the parents of four children: 1 Charelle Lynn, born on October 24, 1938. 2. Charles Linwood, Jr., born on December 6, 1940. 3 William Isaac, born on October 20, 1947. 4. Cindra Louise, born on September 24, 1949.

#### **SARGENT, Raymond Fletcher**

Raymond Fletcher Sargent, president of the Ellsworth Construction Company,

has operated a heavy construction and general contracting business in Ellsworth since 1934. He has twelve trucks and employs a personnel of thirty-five, and has carried on considerable construction work in eastern Maine in recent years. Mr. Sargent is chairman of the Ellsworth City Council.

He was born in Ellsworth, June 11, 1910, the son of Ralph and Nora (Fletcher) Sargent. The Sargent family is of English descent. Ralph Sargent, who was a farmer, died in 1936.

Raymond Fletcher Sargent graduated from the Ellsworth High School in 1927. His first employment was with the Hancock County Creamery of Ellsworth, and after a year with this concern he spent another year with the Kenduskeag Valley Creamery in Bangor. Then, in 1929, he started his own trucking business in Ellsworth, also dealing in lumber, and he continued these activities until 1934. He then founded the business of Raymond F. Sargent, general contracting and heavy construction, and in 1945 purchased the Ellsworth Construction Company, of which he is now president. Mr. Sargent has built up a reputation for good work, and has done many construction jobs in eastern Maine. A Republican, Mr. Sargent was elected by his fellow citizens to the Ellsworth City Council in 1946 and will serve until 1950. He is a member of the Lions Club, the Rod and Gun Club and the Maine Good Roads Association. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Royal Arch Masons, the Knights Templar, and Anah Temple, of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and he is a Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. He is a deacon in the Congregational Church.







Carl E. Allen



*Fred S. Curtis.*





On May 26, 1927, at Ellsworth, he married Viola Eichman, the daughter of Edward and Ethlyn Eichman. Mr. and Mrs. Sargent have five children: 1. Roger Harvard, born August 8, 1928, a graduate of Ellsworth High School and of the University of Maine, where he graduated in 1949 as a civil engineer. 2. Edward Ralph, born November 27, 1929, a 1948 graduate of Ellsworth High School and now with the United States Navy Air Corps as a photographer stationed at London, England. 3. Lillian Ethel, born August 1, 1931, a 1948 graduate of Ellsworth High School and now a student at the University of Maine. 4. Ellen Eunice, born September 28, 1934, a student at Ellsworth High School. 5. Rachel Erline, born January 22, 1940, a pupil in the Ellsworth Elementary School.

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#### **ALBEE, Carl Edwin**

Associated with the Curtis Funeral Home in Bath since 1928, Carl Edwin Albee now serves this institution as its manager.

Mr. Albee was born September 27, 1898, in Bath, son of George and Carrie (Snow) Albee. He attended school in Bath, where he was graduated from Morse High School, and in 1916 he became associated with the Bath Iron Works, continuing there as a draftsman for two years. From 1918 to 1921, he was connected with the Johnson Hardware Company, ship's chandlers. Then from 1921 to 1923 he was connected with the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company. From 1923 to 1926, he was with the Kennebec Greenhouses, and in 1926, he joined forces with the Torrey Roller Bushing Company, with whom he continued until 1930.

Meanwhile, in 1928, he became associated with the Curtis Funeral Home, whose first establishment was opened at

105 Center Street, Bath, in 1900, by Fred S. Curtis. At the time of Mr. Curtis' death, his widow, Mrs. Mary (Trufant) Curtis, purchased the Charles Morse mansion at 942 Washington Street, and converted it into a funeral home. This mansion is one of Maine's outstanding edifices, and occupying it, the Curtis Funeral Home is widely known throughout this region of Maine. Mrs. Curtis died in October, 1948, so that the full responsibility of management and operation of Fred S. Curtis & Company, as the organization is known, devolves upon Mr. Albee as manager.

His contribution to it and to different branches of civic and social life in Maine has been outstanding. He is widely known as a Republican party member and as a leader in different organizations. He is a member of the Rotary Club of Bath, the local Congregational Church, the Maine Funeral Directors Association, and the National Funeral Directors Association. In the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, he is associated with the local lodge, the Royal Arch Chapter, the Council of Royal and Select Masters, the Dunlap Commandery of Knights Templar, of which he was Eminent Commander in 1940, and the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree.

Carl Edwin Albee married in April, 1920, in Bath, Mildred Curtis, daughter of Fred S. and Mary (Trufant) Curtis, both of whom are now deceased. They became the parents of one son, Curtis Snow Albee, born in October, 1926, who attended Bath High School, and then entered a private school in Conway, New Hampshire.

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#### **WOTTON, Charles Crockett**

Following in the footsteps of his father,

Charles Crockett Wotton has been for some fifteen years active in the management of the firm of M. E. Wotton and Son, of Rockland. A concern specializing in interior decorating, flooring, and home improvement, it has acquired an excellent reputation through the years. Since its incorporation, Mr. Wotton has been its president and treasurer.

Son of Melvin E. Wotton, who died in 1938, and of Nettie (Crockett) Wotton, the present head of the concern was born in Rockland on May 28, 1901. His father, active in the life of his community, was a member of the board of directors of a local bank, was a leader of the wartime bond drives, and lent his energies to any program for the benefit of his city. Charles Wotton received his education in the Rockland High School and at Worcester Academy before entering Abbott School at Farmington, Maine. At all of these secondary and preparatory institutions, and later at Bowdoin College, Charles Crockett Wotton was conspicuous as an athlete, winning honors in football and basketball. Indeed, throughout the years since he has remained prominent in New England athletic circles, and has on many occasions refereed events at collegiate and secondary school levels throughout the New England states. Mr. Wotton is a member of the New England Board of Approved College Basketball Officials, of the Eastern and Western Maine Boards of Approved Basketball Officials, and of the Maine State Board of Approved Football Officials.

He attended Bowdoin College, after which he became associated with his father in business. The elder man had established his firm at 405 Main Street in Rockland in 1922; and Charles Crockett Wotton during the ensuing years took increasing responsibility in the manage-

ment of the interior decorating firm, which had entered the field at a time when business enterprises specializing in this aspect of home improvement were more rare than is the case today. In 1934 the firm was moved to its present address and was incorporated. Mr. Wotton became its president and treasurer, as he remains to the present time.

He has been a member of the Rotary Club, and of Kappa Sigma fraternity. In his religious faith, Mr. Wotton is a Universalist.

Charles Crockett Wotton has been married twice. He married, first, in September, 1923, Dorothy Whitney, and they became the parents of two children: 1. Ruth, born in 1925. She is a graduate of Rockland High School and of Fisher School. 2. Mary, born in 1926, also a graduate of Rockland High School and Fisher School, and now employed as personnel director of the Boston Coke Company. In January, 1942, Mr. Wotton married, second, Edna Ross, and they make their home in Owls Head.

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#### **BURLEIGH, Donald Quimby**

Donald Quimby Burleigh has been, since 1945, the executive secretary of the Augusta-Hallowell Chamber of Commerce. His career prior to that time had been a varied one, indicative of a wide range of abilities. Early in life, Mr. Burleigh was engaged in newspaper work; thereafter holding responsible positions in industry, and in advertising and publicity. As a newsman, he has been a valued member of the staffs of leading journals, in the Midwest and Far West as well as New England. He has engaged in industrial enterprises of varied nature, and is an author with a well-known book title to his credit; and he has capably



managed an art store and an advertising agency as well as publicity posts.

Born in Augusta, Maine, June 2, 1894, Donald Quimby Burleigh is a son of Clarence B. and Sarah (Quimby) Burleigh. His father, also prominent in the publishing field and as an author, was managing editor of the "Daily Kennebec Journal" of Augusta, and wrote a number of boys' books on Maine life. Receiving his public school education in Augusta, Donald Quimby Burleigh graduated from Cony High School in that city in 1913, and from Bowdoin College in 1917 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Also in 1917, he attended the Amos Tuck School of Administration and Finance. At this period the United States entered World War I, and Mr. Burleigh served with the United States Naval Reserve, which continued his education by stationing him at the First Pay Officers School at the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland. He completed his course there in 1918, and after service as a petty officer in the navy, was commissioned an ensign. Mr. Burleigh is also a graduate of the Northeastern Institute for Commercial Executives of Yale University, class of 1948.

On his return to civilian life after his Naval service of World War I, Donald Quimby Burleigh entered the advertising field, as Chicago advertising manager of The Cutler Publications, a post which he held during 1919 and the early part of 1920. He then became engaged in newspaper and advertising work in Denver, Colorado during 1920-1921, but in the latter year returned East to become city editor and assistant night editor of the "Daily Kennebec Journal" in Augusta, Maine, which post, also, he held for about a year.

Mr. Burleigh's entrance into the indus-

trial world came when, in 1922, he accepted the position of treasurer of the Allen Quimby Clothespin Company in Stockholm. He remained there until 1924, when he became the proprietor of the Standard Seating Company, also in Stockholm. In 1925 Mr. Burleigh became proprietor of Quimby's art store in Augusta, and continued this connection during the next decade, terminating it in 1934 to become proprietor of the Maine News Bureau and Advertising Agency. He continued with that organization until the period of World War II, when, in doing his bit to personally advance the wartime production program, Mr. Burleigh entered the Bath Iron Works, was assigned to the time department, and remained in the employ of this industrial organization from 1942 to 1945. In the latter year, at the termination of World War II, he accepted appointment as executive secretary of the Augusta-Hallowell Chamber of Commerce, a post for which his diversified activities—in newspaper work, industry and advertising—uniquely fitted him. He has given complete satisfaction in the performance of his duties, and earned a place among the community's leadership. Mr. Burleigh's business address is at the city hall in Augusta.

Mr. Burleigh, who is a loyal Republican in his politics, has also served his city in political office during recent years, having been a member of the common council of Augusta in 1940. He is vitally interested in the affairs of the American Legion, is past vice commander of Fitzgerald-Cummings Post No. 2, in Augusta. He is a charter member of the Augusta Kiwanis Club, and the organization's present assistant secretary. Taking a considerable interest in sleight-of-hand as a hobby, Mr. Burleigh is president of the

Augusta Ring of the Magicians' Society. His fraternity is Delta Kappa Epsilon. Mr. Burleigh and his family attend the Congregational Church in Augusta.

Donald Quimby Burleigh is widely known as the author of a book, "The Kristiana Killers."

At Augusta, Maine, October 14, 1918, Donald Quimby Burleigh married Mary Chase Johnson, daughter of Treby and Amie B. Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. Burleigh have become the parents of four children, all daughters: 1. Sarah Elizabeth, born in 1921, now Mrs. Pruett. 2. Mary Jane, born in 1923, now Mrs. O'Connor. 3. Nancy, born in 1925. 4. Judith Anne, now Mrs. Kaplan, who was born in 1930.

#### **ATWOOD, Jack Sanden**

Jack Sanden Atwood, since 1937 station manager of Radio Station WRDO of Augusta, a member station of the Maine Broadcasting System and affiliate station of the National Broadcasting Company, is a pioneer in Maine radio work, having started his radio career in 1928 while a student at the University of Maine.

He was born in 1909 in Bangor, the son of Frank R. and Alice E. Atwood. His father, the late Frank R. Atwood, was manager of a music store in Bangor. After graduating from the Bangor High School, Mr. Atwood became a student at the University of Maine, and during his university career became associated with Radio Station WLDZ of Bangor. From 1931 to 1934 he was employed at station WNAC of Boston as Yankee Network announcer and later as production manager. In 1935 he became program director of Station WLBZ at Bangor, filling this office until the following year. In 1937 he came to Augusta as station manager of Station WRDO and

has been active in this capacity ever since, except for his years of service in the United States Marine Corps during World War II. He served in the South Pacific in 1943-44 and received the United States Navy commendation ribbon and three battle stars, for service in the Solomons, the Bismarck Islands and the Dutch Indies. Mr. Atwood is now a captain in the United States Marine Corps Reserves. He is a member of the United States Marine Corps League and a past state commander of this organization, and belongs also to the American Legion. Mr. Atwood takes an active part in civic affairs. He is disaster chairman of the Augusta Chapter of the American Red Cross and is secretary-treasurer of the Maine Broadcasters Association. In 1947 he served as president of the Augusta Sesquicentennial and general chairman of its activities. His conscientious efforts in this program received the commendation of Governor Horace Hildreth, as is evidenced by the following excerpt from his letter dated July 22, 1947:

In this year of Our Lord 1947—and of our State's sovereignty the 120th—we celebrate the Sesquicentennial of our Capital City as citizens together of a great State of the Union. The tasks that confronted the doughty men and women who founded Augusta, to build their community in the post-Revolutionary days, were difficult indeed.

We, too, have a monumental job to do in our time. Our cities and towns are established; our governments—Federal, State and local—function well. Our factories and farms are operated efficiently. Our Commerce serves many nations. We have more wealth than any other people.

Yet we are not secure in our world. We offer leadership, but we are mistrusted. We hold out material assistance to the stricken nations, but many are afraid to accept it in the spirit it is given.

As our founding fathers of 150 years ago had faith, courage and the capacity for hard



work, so today we need strong faith, determined leadership and the will to roll up our sleeves and labor until the task before us is accomplished. It will not be done in spare time, left until another day while we pursue the pleasures and profits of post-war boom days. It can only be accomplished through the unified efforts of all Americans, men and women who have as much at heart the peace and well-being of all peoples as had our forefathers the freedom and welfare of this Nation in its infancy.

As Governor of Maine I am happy to commend your committees and the citizens of Augusta whose thoughtful planning and whose zeal and energy have brought forth the splendid celebration we witness in the three days of the Augusta Sesquicentennial.

A member of Kappa Sigma college fraternity, of which he was president, he is also a past president of the South Kennebec University of Maine Alumni Association. Mr. Atwood belongs to the Congregational Church.

In 1940 at Salem, Massachusetts, Jack Sanden Atwood married Barbara Williams, the daughter of Wallace F. and Grace Williams, the latter deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Atwood are the parents of three children: 1. David Brooks, born November 6, 1941. 2. Barry Lane, born November 25, 1946. 3. Donna Lee, born May 1, 1948.

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#### **MATTHEWS, Walter D.**

Walter D. Matthews, head of the W. D. Matthews Machinery Company of Auburn, today the major woodworking machinery business in the state of Maine, serving Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont, was born in South Portland on January 11, 1906. He is the son of John and Sarah Matthews, his father being a lumberman.

After leaving high school, Mr. Matthews studied at Leavitt Institute and the University of Maine. He began his business career as an employee of the Ameri-

can Telephone & Telegraph Company. It was the depression that caused him to go into business for himself. After severing his connection with the telephone company he went into the wood business and then into the sawmill business. While in that business he began to sell woodworking machinery of all types, and finally in 1939 he started a woodworking machinery business in a small shop next to his home in Turner, Maine. This prospered, and in time Mr. Matthews erected the fine premises on Center Street in Auburn, a modern building forty-two by one hundred twenty feet, where he carries on a woodworking machinery business that has become the best-known in the state and does business throughout northern New England. Mr. Matthews is agent for Ekstrom & Carlson Delta Tools, Crescent Tools, Baxter & Whitney, and several others. He continues to make his home in Turner, where he is active in local affairs and a member of the Turner school board. Fraternally Mr. Matthews is affiliated with Blue Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Turner and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a member of the Turner Universalist Church. In addition to woodworking, which is a special hobby of Mr. Matthews', combining business interests with pleasure, he spends much of his leisure time in painting with oils.

He married at Turner, in 1928, Doris Leavitt, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Leavitt. Mr. and Mrs. Matthews have four children: Clayton, Carl, Barbara, and Jean.

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#### **HARMON, Carl Milton**

Broad academic education and a varied experience have been contributory factors in the career of Carl Milton Harmon, su-



perintendent of schools, Bridgton. A Phi Beta Kappa of the University of Maine, he became an educator and served as principal in Massachusetts and Rhode Island before being named to his present position. He has proven abilities as an administrator of school affairs, progressive in curricula changes, and effective in the expansion of the services the schools render the public.

Born on May 6, 1902, Mr. Harmon is the son of Milton Stearns and Grace (Sherman) Harmon. Reared on his father's farm, he attended local schools and was graduated from the Buxton High School, in southern Maine, with the class of 1919. Matriculating at the University of Maine, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1926, and has since pursued postgraduate studies at the Bates College Summer School. Mr. Harmon began his professional career as an assistant in the Stratton High School, and successively thereafter was principal of the Carolina and Buttonwood schools in Rhode Island; instructor in Hebron Academy; bookkeeper with the National Shoe and Leather Bank of Auburn; principal of the Bridgton Junior High School; supervising principal of the Southwick (Massachusetts) School; and superintendent of schools, School Union No. 18, Bridgton. Mr. Harmon is a member of the Maine Teachers' Association, the New England Association of School Superintendents, and the National Education Association, whereby he keeps in touch with colleagues and advances in the field of his profession. As mentioned, he is a Phi Beta Kappa (scholarship fraternity), and member of the Phi Kappa Phi and Kappa Phi Kappa fraternities, being president of the last mentioned fraternity. He is of the Protestant faith.

On December 22, 1928, Carl Milton

Harmon married Helen Esther Canham, daughter of Percy George and Evie May Canham. Mr. and Mrs. Harmon are the parents of three children: 1. Robert Clyde, born May 2, 1930. 2. Gerald Stearns, born December 24, 1931. 3. Ruth Ann, born February 27, 1934.

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#### **VILES, William Payson**

William Payson Viles, treasurer of Viles Timberlands, Inc., of Augusta, and also treasurer of the C. M. Rice Paper Company of Portland, was born in Newport, New Hampshire, the son of Blaine Spooner and Ethel (Johnson) Viles. His father is associated with Viles Timberlands, Inc.

William Payson Viles attended Cony High School in Augusta, Andover Academy, and the University of Maine. After leaving the university he became associated with Viles Timberlands, Inc., and he has been active in this enterprise ever since, serving at the present time as treasurer. However, he has also been engaged in other enterprises. He has served in the Maine State Legislature, and during World War II was a member of the United States Army Air Corps. He is treasurer of the C. M. Rice Paper Company of Portland, and is well-known in both business and political circles throughout the state.

Mr. Viles is an Episcopalian, and fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

In 1930, at Fisher's Island, New York, William Payson Viles was married to Marian Nichols, the daughter of William H. and Rose T. Nichols. Mr. and Mrs. Viles are the parents of: 1. John Tilden Viles, born September 20, 1931. 2. Sylvia Viles, born August 30, 1932. 3. Marian Viles, born November 20, 1933.



*William P. Viles*





**WILLIAMSON, William Burrill**

The eventful career of William Burrill Williamson has for the most part been identified with providing entertainment for the public. He is president or official of various theater companies in New England, and is associated with other amusement enterprises. In Augusta, his home and business headquarters, he is a popular clubman whose interest in civic activities is proven in municipal service and through his hearty co-operation with community projects.

A native of Augusta, Mr. Williamson was born on November 20, 1892, son of Joseph and Vallie (Burleigh) Williamson, his father being a well-known lawyer, former Kennebec County attorney, and member of the Maine State Legislature. William B. Williamson was prepared for higher education in the Cony High School, of Augusta, Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, at Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine, and Boston University. As an undergraduate, Mr. Williamson engaged in a number of extra-curricular activities, and was pledged to several fraternities, including Delta Kappa Epsilon.

One of the first interruptions of his business career was service in the United States Army in 1917, when he attended the Officers Training Camp, at Plattsburg, New York. As indicated, he is engaged in entertainment enterprises as president or a director of theater companies in Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Vermont. He is treasurer of Island Park, Inc., and serves on the board of directors of the First National Bank of Augusta. In 1915 he became a member of the Council, Augusta City Government. Mr. Williamson belongs to the American Legion, and is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Ma-

sons in its various higher bodies, including Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His clubs include the Abnaki and Augusta country clubs, of Augusta, and the Algonquin and University clubs, of Boston. He is a member of the South Parish Congregational Church, and his family of St. Mark's Episcopal Church.

At Augusta, on August 23, 1915, William Burrill Williamson married Ida Marion Gartley, daughter of Joseph and Melissa Gartley. Mr. and Mrs. Williamson became the parents of three sons: 1. Capt. William Burrill, Jr., who was born November 9, 1916, and killed in action in China, in 1944. 2. Joseph Williamson, who was born February 11, 1919, now a captain in the United States Army. 3. Richard Gartley, who was born August 13, 1924, now a lieutenant junior grade in the United States Navy.

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**DAGGETT, Horace Purinton**

Member of the younger group of business men who have contributed so much to the high standing of Waterville in the field of enterprise, Horace Purinton Daggett is currently active in insurance as special representative of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company. He prepared broadly for a commercial career and in recent years has studied the special requirements of his present endeavor in which he is eminently successful. His personal interest in community affairs is especially noteworthy, particularly along the lines of music for public participation. He is the organizer and director of two fine choruses and choirs.

A native and lifelong citizen of Waterville, Horace Purinton Daggett was born in that city on June 24, 1911, son of

Cecil M. and Martha (Purinton) Daggett. His father, now deceased, was a building contractor and manufacturer of brick. After attending the Waterville grammar schools, Mr. Daggett was a student at the Coburn Classical Institute, from 1925 to 1929. Matriculating at Colby College, he was graduated with the class of 1933, a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration. He had participated as an undergraduate in several campus activities, notably music, and became a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, Xi Chapter, Colby College, of which he was president in 1932.

In business, Mr. Daggett has successively been a manufacturers' agent for building supplies, 1933 to 1941; salesman for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, at Madison, 1941-1942, and in Waterville, 1942 to 1948, when he resigned to go with the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, of which he has been special representative since January 1 of that year. During 1944-1945 he pursued special underwriting training under the auspices of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and both by special education and abilities is an expert in his field of operations.

Business has never commanded the whole of Mr. Daggett's interest, and he is ever ready to enter into undertakings that are of advantage to the community. He belongs to the Lions International, and was King Lion in 1947-1948. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias of Waterville, and as already indicated, he is the organizer and director of public musical groups, such as "The Songsmiths," Waterville Mixed Chorus, and the Inter-State Choir in this city. He attends the First Baptist Church of Waterville.

At Waterville, on November 17, 1939, Horace Purinton Daggett married Leah E. Bartlett, daughter of John M. and Mary C. Bartlett. Mr. and Mrs. Daggett are the parents of a daughter, Jeanne, who was born September 27, 1942, and a son, John Bartlett Daggett, born July 20, 1949.

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#### **MANSFIELD, William Lewis**

Throughout a notable career in which he proved himself a most valuable citizen of Waterville, William Lewis Mansfield ably combined the professions of educator and insurance agent. For many years he was athletic coach as well as teacher at the Winslow High School, but more recently devoted himself full-time to the insurance business, operating an agency in his own name. He was a popular figure in his community, renowned as an athlete, much sought after as a public speaker, and participating wholeheartedly in innumerable activities of local and national organizations, in several of which he held executive office. He will be remembered for his energetic and spirited contribution to every cause in which he was interested, and these causes were many and varied.

Born in Johnsport, March 24, 1899, son of Lee and Gertrude Mansfield, William Lewis Mansfield received his early schooling in his native town and graduated from Johnsport High School. He then entered Bowdoin College. On completing his course there he entered the teaching field, becoming an instructor in Winslow High School. It is not surprising that Mr. Mansfield also came to serve this secondary school as athletic coach, for he himself had an excellent record as athlete, which he continued to augment through the years. The exceptional training and inspiring leadership which he gave his team is attested by the fact that







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the school won five state basketball championships, was three times contender for the New England crown, and also won the state championship in football. Mr. Mansfield took great and justifiable pride in the team's achievements.

Mr. Mansfield's own physical vigor continued unabated throughout his lifetime. He sought active roles in two world conflicts, in defense of his country, and held the rank of colonel in the United States Army. He was also for many years a member of the National Guard of the state of Maine. His participation in World War II took him through the sanguinary campaigns of Guadalcanal, Russells Island, and the Solomon Islands. In more peaceful activities also, Mr. Mansfield manifested great physical energy and endurance, being heartily opposed to "soft," indoor living. He was an ardent hunter and fisherman, and would often go fishing in the thirty-degree-below-zero temperature of which Maine is often able to boast in the wintertime.

No less vigorous a figure in the business sphere, William Lewis Mansfield successfully combined the insurance business with his high school teaching and coaching for a period of twenty-seven years. After his return from World War II, he did not return to teaching, but devoted his full time to the operation of his insurance agency, which was located at 131 Main Street in Waterville. He was also well-known in banking circles, being a trustee of the Waterville Savings Bank. He became widely acclaimed as a public speaker, his penetrating powers of analysis and ready wit making him sought frequently at public occasions, particularly at commencements and other school affairs.

Mr. Mansfield was president of the Men's Club of Waterville, and president

of the board of directors of the Waterville Young Men's Christian Association. Prominent in Rotary, he was once district president of that organization, and twice its local president. He was a trustee of the Thayer Hospital, and a member of the "Half Million Dollar Club." Active in his lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Mr. Mansfield was a member of the Governor's Council for Veterans. His fraternity was Delta Upsilon, and his interest in his alma mater continued throughout the years, he being a member of the college's memorial gift committee.

William Lewis Mansfield was a Congregationalist in his religious faith, and served on many occasions as lay preacher of his congregation. He was also superintendent of the Sunday school.

Married to Miss Lila Farrington, of South China, Maine, William Lewis Mansfield was the father of four children: 1. William Lee. 2. Kerwin Warner. 3. Phyllis Mansfield Anderson. 4. Martha Mansfield.

Mr. Mansfield died August 11, 1948. A vital figure, and a memorable one, the part he played in education, business, church, civic and welfare organizations in his home community is deserving of the fullest gratitude. He was, in whatever sphere of activity he entered "the Champion."

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#### CHISHOLM, Hugh J.

Hugh J. Chisholm has played a prominent part in the industrial life of his native Maine. Mr. Chisholm is president of the Oxford Paper Company and allied companies, and was formerly president of the Portland & Rumford Falls Railway before it became part of the Maine Central Railroad. He is a director of the

Maine Central Railroad and of the Boston & Maine Railroad. During the late war, Mr. Chisholm was closely connected with the Bath Iron Works on their construction program. For twenty years he has served as vice president of the American Pulp & Paper Association.

Hugh J. Chisholm was born in Portland on April 17, 1886, the son of Hugh J. and Henrietta (Mason) Chisholm. The Chisholms of Maine are descended from one of the oldest Scottish families, the Chisholms of Erchless Castle, Inverness-shire, Scotland. Mr. Chisholm's grandfather came to Canada from Scotland, where he had supported his family by writing for the "Edinburgh Review." Mr. Chisholm's father, Hugh J. Chisholm the elder, was the founder of the International Paper Company, and of the Oxford Paper Company. The paper mill was built in 1899, and the first machine turned over on November 9, 1901. The construction of the Portland & Rumford Falls Railway had been begun by the elder Hugh J. Chisholm as early as 1892. He served as president of the Oxford Paper Company until his death, and was chairman of the board of the International Paper Company.

Hugh J. Chisholm, the younger, attended the public schools of Portland, and the Browning School in New York. He then matriculated at Yale University, and was graduated from this institution in 1908, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, after which he studied law at the Harvard University Law School, graduating in 1911, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. From earliest boyhood, Mr. Chisholm had taken a keen interest in his father's companies. He well remembers an incident of 1896 or 1897, when he and his father were staying at Poland Springs. The Portland & Rumford Falls Railway,

although it had been begun in 1892, had by the time of this incident been built only as far as Canton, and to Canton father and son proceeded on an engine. Beyond this point the road had merely been laid, so Mr. Chisholm procured a horse and buggy and drove his ten-year-old son over the partially constructed road as far as the river. There he left the boy with the horse and buggy and went on alone as far as Rumford. It was not until ten at night that he remembered his son and the buggy and sent back for them. Later the boy rode into Rumford on the first train to run over the new railway.

As stated above, the first machine of the paper mill had turned on November 9, 1901, and by 1911 the company had six machines. Upon graduating from the Harvard Law School, Mr. Chisholm went to work for his father's companies. He had been associated with them for only a few months when his father died in the fall of 1911. Mr. Chisholm then became president of the Oxford Paper Co. and allied companies and was president of the Portland & Rumford Falls Railway until it became a part of the Maine Central Railway. Today the Oxford Paper Company has thirteen machines, and the last two to be installed together make more paper than the entire mill made in 1911. The Oxford Paper Company has its main office at 230 Park Avenue in New York City. Mr. Chisholm has taken an active part in the American Pulp and Paper Association, of which he has been vice president for the past twenty years. He is a director of the Maine Central Railway and the Boston & Maine Railway, and serves on the board of directors of the Grace National Bank.

Another of Mr. Chisholm's business interests was the Bath Iron Works, and



he was closely connected with the war construction program of this plant. Some twenty years ago the Bath Iron Works built, in addition to destroyers, many of the most famous large yachts ever to sail the seas. Six large yachts were built in the year 1929 or 1930, and of these, three were the product of the Bath Iron Works. They were the "Corsair," owned by the late J. Pierpont Morgan, the "Aras," owned by Hugh J. Chisholm, and the "Ara," owned by Dr. Doane of Boston. Of the six large yachts built in this year only three are afloat today, and two of these were built at the Bath Iron Works. The third was built in Germany: it was the "Nourmahall," owned by Vincent Astor, and during World War II it was in the United States Coast Guard service. As for the two yachts built by the Bath Iron Works which have survived, they are the "Corsair" and the "Aras." The "Corsair" was sold to the British government, who later turned it over to Greece. Later still it was bought by a Canadian syndicate which brought it over to Canada via Bermuda. It is now a de luxe cruise ship. The "Aras," which was formerly owned by Mr. Chisholm, is now the presidential yacht "Williamsburg." During World War II, it was, for six months, on Atlantic convoy service and then went to Iceland as flagship. It twice ran the blockade to Murmansk and was at the Casablanca, Normandy and Sicily landings. It now often makes headlines as the presidential yacht.

Mr. Chisholm is a member of the Union League Club and the Yale Club of New York, the Links Club, the Mount Royal Club, the Racquet and Tennis Club, and the Blind Brook Golf Club. His hobby is raising pedigree Ayreshire cattle, which he has exported to England, Japan and the South American countries. Mr. Chis-

holm's Ayreshire herd is said to be one of the finest in the world.

On June 25, 1910, at Bernardsville, New Jersey, Hugh J. Chisholm was married to Sara C. Hardenbergh. Mr. and Mrs. Chisholm have three children: 1. Hugh J. Chisholm, Jr. 2. Mrs. Harold M. Cole. 3. William H. Chisholm.

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#### **GLOVER, James E.**

Since 1946 James E. Glover has conducted a private practice as attorney at law in Waterville. He has earned a sound reputation, his qualities recommending him for public office, and he is now treasurer of the city of Waterville. In professional and fraternal organizations he has been consistently active.

Son of Charles E. Glover, an educator, and his wife, the former Harriet Gifford, James E. Glover was born in Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, but was brought to this country at an early age and attended Colby College, where he received his degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then entered Boston University Law School, where he was granted the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1940.

From that time, Mr. Glover has practiced his profession in Waterville, maintaining offices at 131 Main Street. His practice of law is general. Mr. Glover was an associate member of Perkins, Weeks & Hutchins Law Firm from 1941 to 1944; was engaged in private practice in 1946; and has been a member of the firm of Muskie & Glover, from 1946 to the present writing. The sole interruption in Mr. Glover's legal career came during World War II, when he served his country in the maritime service.

Mr. Glover became treasurer of the city of Waterville in 1946, and his record in this office has been one of competence, completely satisfying the electorate, and

characterized by the same integrity and thoroughness as Mr. Glover's private practice. He also holds the position of vice president and treasurer of the Fidelity Insurance Service, Inc.

Since 1947 he has also been treasurer of C. H. Shoemaker & Sons, Importers and Factors, with offices in New York, Toronto, Paris, Brussels, Havana and Rio de Janeiro. James C. Glover holds professional memberships in the American Bar Association, the Kennebec County Bar, and the Maine Bar Association. He is fraternally affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. In religious faith, Mr. Glover is an Episcopalian.

In New York City, James C. Glover married Lucille Schoemaker, and they have become the parents of two children: 1. James Robert, born in 1942. 2. Gail Vivian, born in 1945. The Glover residence is at 60 Roosevelt Street in Waterville.

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#### **LA VERDIERE, Evariste**

Evariste LaVerdiere, a leader in the drug field in the state of Maine, began his remarkable career in an unusual way. Starting with the renting of a small store, in a building which he had helped construct, he developed, through skillful management, perseverance, and the recognition of his opportunities, a large and profitable chain of drug stores, thereby exhibiting qualities which place him in the front rank of Maine business men.

Mr. LaVerdiere is a native of Waterville, of Canadian French descent. He was born August 7, 1897. As a young man he served his country during World War I as an attaché at the American embassy in Paris—a post which, inci-

dentally, he had occupied prior to that conflict, and continued to hold for some time afterwards. He was chosen for this post in consequence of his thorough knowledge of the French language. Mr. LaVerdiere also served in prison camp investigations, and traveled through eleven European countries, some of them in enemy territory. Perhaps to this beginning may be traced his love of travel, which has continued throughout his life.

On returning to this country, Mr. LaVerdiere entered the construction field. During 1922 he was a construction foreman engaged in the erection of the Professional Building, located on Main Street in Waterville. When the building stood completed, he took advantage of an opportunity to rent a small store located at the main entrance. This he operated as a newspaper and variety store. Shortly afterwards, Mr. LaVerdiere rented the shop on the other side of the entrance, and two years later bought the next store adjacent to his, which extended to the corner. This he opened as a patent medicine store. To this careful management of his affairs and expansion of his interests, Mr. LaVerdiere owes in large measure his subsequent success.

In 1931, his enterprises branched out to include a drug store in Augusta. The shop which was the location of the original venture in Waterville, and had begun as a patent medicine store, became a full-fledged drug store in 1934, and in keeping pace with this development, its size was doubled. The next year a drug store was also opened in Skowhegan, but was subsequently sold, as were stores in Fairfield and Wiscasset, which had been opened in the same year. The year 1936 saw the opening of a drug store in Gardiner. A location at Bath, opened in 1938, was sold three years later. There



is also a store in Lewiston, established in 1941.

These stores comprise the largest and most progressive chain of stores in the state of Maine devoting themselves to the retailing of drugs and allied merchandise; and they are a noteworthy and inspiring example of individual enterprise. The advancement of Mr. LaVerdiere's holdings has not, of course, been without its setbacks. In 1941 he experienced two disastrous fires. The first, taking place in November of that year in the Waterville store, destroyed all the ammunition and the Christmas stock, which, during those war years, was irreplaceable. The second fire, in Bath, completely wiped out the store in that town. It was, however, rebuilt, and presents a more prosperous, progressive and up-to-date aspect than ever.

In 1940 Mr. LaVerdiere's stores, which he had retained up to that time, joined the nationwide Walgren system as agencies. They are also the only members in Maine of the National Agency of Affiliated Drug Stores. The corporation officials of the company are Mr. LaVerdiere, Lillian (Cyr) LaVerdiere, his wife, and his brother. They are members of the National Association of Chain Drug Stores and the Thoet Corporation. Mr. LaVerdiere in 1941 opened a second drug store in the city of his original venture, Waterville, but was compelled to close it during the years of World War II because of shortages of vital stock.

Mr. LaVerdiere, who is a Roman Catholic and a member of the Church of St. Francis de Sales, also belongs to the Catholic fraternity, the Knights of Columbus, in which he holds the Fourth degree. He is also a member of the Lions. In 1938 Mr. LaVerdiere founded the Club Canadien, which at one time had

one hundred and seventy-five members, but which disbanded after Mr. LaVerdiere left its membership. A man of at once forceful and winning personality, he imparts a vital enthusiasm to each of his interests. He is most fond of association with people, and a skilled student of human nature. Next, he enjoys travel: has visited Cuba, Bermuda, Mexico, and the southern and western states of the Union. A fondness for motion pictures makes this another of his hobbies; and he balances his business responsibilities with a large measure of outdoor sports: hunting, fishing, and speedboating.

At Waterville, Evariste LaVerdiere married Lillian Cyr, and they have become the parents of six children: 1. Reginald, associated with his father in the operation of the drug chain. 2. Lucille, who died at the age of one year. 3. Dolores, a former student of Regis College. 4. Marcella, now the first Maine girl to attend Aloysius College in Cresson, Pennsylvania. 5. Paul, born in 1936. 6. Elaine, born in 1942. The family makes its home at 26 Burleigh Street, Waterville; and Mr. LaVerdiere's business address is 177 Main Street.

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#### **LADD, Harland A., M.A.**

In the elevation of Harland A. Ladd to the post of Commissioner of Education, the state of Maine secured an official whose training and experience as an educator well fitted him for its responsibilities. Commissioner Ladd is a son of Augustine D. Ladd, and was born at Sebec, Maine, July 19, 1904.

After attending the elementary schools of his birthplace, Harland A. Ladd was prepared for higher education at Foxcroft Academy (1916-1920), at Dover-Foxcroft. Matriculating at the University of Maine, Orono, he was graduated with



the class of 1925, a Bachelor of Arts. Already (1923-1924) he had begun his teaching career as the principal of the high school at Stetson. After several years in the field, he resumed his studies at Columbia University, New York City from 1933 to 1937, and received the degree of Master of Arts in Education in February, 1938. He also attended summer schools at Bates College, Lewiston, 1929, and Harvard University, Cambridge, in 1945.

The further experience of Mr. Ladd includes the posts of principal of the high school, Sebattus, 1925-1926; principal of the high school at Brownville Junction, 1926-1929; principal of the high school, Milo, 1929-1936; superintendent of schools at Milo from 1936 to 1942, and a similar position at Bath, from 1942 to 1944. From the latter year to 1946, inclusive, he was Deputy Commissioner, State Department of Education, at Augusta. Since January, 1947, he has been Commissioner of Education. A list of the offices, commissions, committees, trusteeships and other organizations of which Mr. Ladd is a member because of his position would fill several pages. In brief it can be pointed out that he is the head or member of such groups as the boards of trustees of the University of Maine, the Maine Maritime Academy, Maine Vocational Educational Board, State normal schools, and State Teachers College, the Parsonsfield Seminary, the Educational Policies Commission of Maine, and many others. Not the least of his responsibilities is the solution of problems involving curricula and administration, building funds and teachers' salaries, the settlement of disputes and work with the Legislature on policies and appropriations leading to improved education in Maine.

Along professional lines, Commissioner Ladd is a member of the Maine Teachers Association, the American Educational Association, the New England Superintendents Association, the National Council of State School Officers, the American Association of School Administrators, the American Society for Curriculum Development, and many others. His college fraternities are Delta Tau Delta, and Phi Delta Kappa. He is affiliated with the Masonic Order, and attends the Baptist Church.

In 1927, Harland A. Ladd married Doris Daw, and they are the parents of a daughter, Betty Jane, now attending the University of Maine.

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#### **BRIDGE, George R.**

Throughout his career George R. Bridge has been associated with the textile industry. Thus he brought a broad and thorough experience to the service of his company when, in 1949, he became plant manager of the Bates Manufacturing Company's York Division, located at Saco. The Bates Manufacturing Company has five plants in the state of Maine. Through Mr. Bridge's recognition as a business leader, he has achieved a secure place among those who direct civic activities.

Mr. Bridge was born at Fall River, June 18, 1907, son of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Bridge. He graduated from the Durfee High School, and the Durfee Textile School, both at Fall River, and his early interest in textiles continued, shaping the course of his career. From 1926 to 1929, Mr. Bridge was employed by the American Thread Company of Fall River, engaging in various operations to gain a broad practical experience in textile production. In 1929 he became associated with Ralph E. Loper and Company, tex-



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tile engineers of Fall River, Massachusetts, and Greenville, South Carolina. His duties, consisting of cost estimating and engineering work, carried him throughout the United States and Canada. In this capacity he did work for about two hundred and seventy-five companies engaged in textile manufacture.

From 1941 to 1945, he was assistant agent of the Continental Mills at Lewiston, being in charge of manufacturing. In January, 1946, he formed his association with the Bates Manufacturing Company at Lewiston, his first position being that of assistant to H. D. Ruhm, president of the company. In January, 1949, Mr. Bridge was transferred to the York Division at Saco, in the capacity of plant manager. This is one of five divisions of the company, three of which—the Bates, Hill, and Androscoggin divisions—are located at Lewiston. The fifth is the Edwards Division, that plant being located at Augusta.

In addition to his duties as plant manager, Mr. Bridge is executive advisor to the cost department, and also works with the company attorney on labor relations matters.

He is a member of the Biddeford-Saco Rotary Club, and is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, being a member of Tranquil Lodge at Auburn. He holds the Thirty-second degree in Masonry, and is a member of Portland Consistory, and of Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Bridge attends the Congregational Church. For recreation, he enjoys golf and bowling.

At Greenville, South Carolina, September 10, 1932, George R. Bridge married N. Carolyn Crane, of that city, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Crane. They are the parents of three children: 1. Mary

Lou, born November 7, 1933, in Fall River, Massachusetts. 2. Joan C., born in Fall River, January 26, 1936. 3. George R., Jr., born in Lewiston, Maine, February 14, 1944.

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#### **CROSS, Hon. Burton M.**

In the Maine capital city, the Hon. Burton M. Cross is a familiar and respected figure. He has given leadership in the realms of business and of public service. The state is fortunate in having in these critical times a president of its Senate who by experience, both in methods of earning a livelihood and in varied governmental posts, is eminently fitted to lend a hand in guiding the affairs of Maine.

Born in Augusta on November 15, 1902, Burton M. Cross is the son of Burton M. and Harriett Cross, members of old New England families. He first saw the light of day in the family home built in 1839. Reared on a farm, he learned agriculture first-hand as a boy, and after being graduated from the Cony High School in 1918, continued to work at farming.

For fifteen years Burton M. Cross had his greenhouse on Riverside Drive, Augusta. In 1943 he acquired his present large establishment, one modern in every respect, Cross Flowers, Inc., of which he is president and directing power. His is a widely known firm, whose products have a high reputation, for they represent the work of skilled and capable growers, backed by much experience.

While Mr. Cross gives his best attention and energies to floriculture, he has many other interests—financial, civic, and social. He is an incorporator of the Augusta Savings Bank, a director of the Augusta-Hallowell Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Augusta Ro-

tary Club. Exceptionally civic minded, he entered municipal politics and as early as 1930 was elected a member of the city council, later being the presiding officer of the common council, and president of the board of aldermen. After being a member of the Maine Legislature, representing Augusta for four years, he was sent to the Senate and on January 1, 1949, was chosen president of this important body. He has sponsored progressive measures and labors constantly to promote the best interests of the state and its numerous divisions.

Too young for military service in World War I, he was rated too old to become a soldier in World War II, but played a civilian role as air warden and road constable, and was associated with the raising of funds for the Red Cross and other humanitarian agencies. Fraternally he is a Thirty-second degree Mason, affiliated with all the higher bodies of the order, including Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Society of American Florists. His clubs include the Rotary and the Augusta Country, and he is a past master of the grange, Patrons of Husbandry.

On November 1, 1927, at Brunswick, the Hon. Burton M. Cross married Olena R. Maulton, and they are the parents of three children: Barbara B., Nancy Elizabeth, and Burtina Lee.

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#### **EATON, Thomas H.**

Very much a man of progressive ideas, Thomas H. Eaton has given to Gardiner one of the best planned and most modern establishments for the distribution of Ford automotive products. He demonstrates his progressive spirit in his daily contacts with business men and clients, and in civic projects and community af-

fairs. Mr. Eaton is rated a citizen who can be depended upon to co-operate heartily with worth-while undertakings of any kind.

Born at South Portland, on July 22, 1913, Thomas H. Eaton is the son of Harold and Evelyn Eaton. After attending the Stratford, Connecticut, High School, and being graduated from the Samuel Johnson Academy, he was variously employed. Athletically inclined, he made a name for himself in football and sports. His first business enterprise in Gardiner dates from 1940 when he purchased an appliance store in the town. World War II had already started in Europe at the time, and United States industries were preparing for the part they were to play in this conflict. The war-time priorities system seriously disrupted this enterprise, with the result that he turned his attention to another field. In 1942 Mr. Eaton acquired the Kennebec Transit Company, and directed its operations in running bus lines between Waterville to South Portland, Bath and Boothbay Harbor. He further branched out in 1944 by acquiring the Ford Company franchise. In the previous year headquarters had been purchased on Maine Avenue.

All was going well when on January 4, 1948 a fire completely burned out his location in less than two hours. Mr. Eaton immediately gathered his resources together for a new start. Securing a wide site on the Hollingsworth and Whitney property, Gardiner, in May of that year he began the building of new headquarters. He made himself acquainted with the best in similar enterprises in other cities, worked out his own plans and as a result has one of the most complete plants, modern in every feature, equipped with the latest devices







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and furnishings, that combine to make it an establishment of which he is justly proud, and one which has been praised by all who have seen it.

Mr. Eaton is thoroughly public-spirited and gives time to political and governmental affairs. He is an influential Republican in party affiliations, and is councilman from the Third Ward. He belongs to the Gardiner Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and his principal club is the Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club. He attends the Protestant Episcopal Church, and contributes to religious and charitable activities. Mr. Eaton is a yachting enthusiast, his Chris-craft yacht being known in numerous New England ports. He has cruised its shores, more especially those of Maine, and does more than a little fishing. So far as is possible he and his family spend the summers and holidays on his boat.

At Augusta, in 1939, Thomas H. Eaton married Rena E. Dameren, and they have three children: 1. Thomas H., 2nd. 2. Sharon E. 3. Laurence P., who is an adopted child.

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#### **VEILLEUX, Gustave J.**

Gustave J. Veilleux, for twenty-one years a mortician, has a well-earned reputation in his profession. For sixteen years he has operated a funeral parlor in his own name in the city of Waterville. As a resident of that city, he has entered fully into its activities, is a prominent member of its organizations, and is well-known in its sports life.

Mr. Veilleux was born August 22, 1899, a native of St. Benjamin in the Province of Quebec, and a son of Jean and Philomene (Mathieu) Veilleux. He received his public school education in Quebec for two years, graduating from high school in Beauville. Since 1933 he has

been practicing his profession as mortician, entering into partnership in that year in the city of Waterville. He has remained in the same establishment since, and in 1940 took over its management. Since that time he has been joined in its operation by his son and a daughter. The firm, run with impressive efficiency and dignity, is a credit to the city, and its residents have found in Mr. Veilleux a competent and sympathetic representative of his profession. His location is well chosen, and the home beautifully furnished and appointed.

Mr. Veilleux is a member of the Waterville Chamber of Commerce and of the Exchange Club. Previously he was also a member of the Kiwanis, although he has dropped membership in this organization. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Artisans Francais, St. Jean Baptiste, and he holds the Fourth degree in the Catholic fraternity, the Knights of Columbus. He is of Catholic faith, a communicant of the Church of St. Francis de Sales. For recreation, Mr. Veilleux enjoys sports: such outdoor activities as hunting and fishing as well as the competitive sports of baseball and hockey. He also enjoys cards. Fishing is his favorite pastime, however, particularly for salmon and trout.

Gustave J. Veilleux married, in St. Benjamin, Province of Quebec, October 25, 1920, Eva Baulette, daughter of Evangelist and Mary Baulette. Mr. and Mrs. Veilleux have three children: 1. Germain, who is associated with his father in the funeral home. 2. Lorraine. 3. Ruth, also associated with her father. The family resides at 8 Elm Street in Waterville.

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#### **FEYLER, Rodney Eben**

Rodney Eben Feyler has operated a general fish business at Lime Wharf in Rockland under the name of Feyler's for



the past thirty years, dealing in all types of fish and shipping to the New York and Boston markets. Starting out in life without money or special advantage, he has succeeded through the old-fashioned American virtues of hard work, thrift and individual enterprise. He was appointed Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries for the state of Maine by Governor Bran and was instrumental in reviving the important fish industry of Maine through his devoted labor in this office.

Rodney Eben Feyler was born on October 27, 1887, in Thomaston, the son of Eben and Lillian (Young) Feyler. His father, Eben Feyler, died in 1948 at the age of ninety-two. His mother died in February, 1933. After attending the Thomaston public schools, Mr. Feyler worked for a time for the J. A. Creighton Company and for McDonald's Drug Store, after which he entered the employ of Jameson & Watten, grocers of Friendship. After gaining experience in the grocery business, he opened his own grocery store at Friendship and was appointed postmaster of the town by President Woodrow Wilson, serving in this office from 1916 to 1929. During World War I, Mr. Feyler enlisted for service in the United States Army Medical Corps and was stationed at Camp Oglethorpe, Georgia. He received his honorable discharge in 1919 and returned to his store and to the post office at Friendship. Later Mr. Feyler opened a store at Owl's Head, and while here he started in the fish business in a modern fashion, buying scallops and, during the summer time, operating booths in New York, Boston, Plymouth and other centers. Then, under the name of Feyler's, he started in the general fish business at Lime Wharf in Rockland, dealing in all kinds of fish and shipping to the New York and Boston markets.

Few men have more practical experience in the Maine fish business, and his appointment by Governor Bran to the post of Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries was a fitting tribute to his ability in this field, as well as an opportunity for public service to his native state. He did much to revive Maine fisheries while serving as Commissioner. Mr. Feyler is a member of the National Fisheries Institute.

Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a Democrat and a Protestant.

On October 16, 1909, Rodney Eben Feyler was married to Gertrude Whitney, the daughter of Winthrop and Lavinia Whitney. Mr. and Mrs. Feyler have two children: 1. Richard Whitney Feyler, born December 1, 1913. He graduated from Thomaston High School in 1932, and from the University of Maine in 1935. Richard Whitney Feyler is a partner with his father in Feyler's fish business, and he also serves as plant foreman at the General Seafoods Corporation, a division of General Foods. He married at Providence, Rhode Island, on October 16, 1936, Ruth Ainslee Tiffany, and they have three children: Richard Tiffany, born March 4, 1938; Jill Ainslee, born November 30, 1943; and Gary Winthrop, born October 24, 1944. 2. Barbara Frances Feyler, born April 16, 1916. She attended Thomaston High School and Simmons College. She married Orion Wadsworth, who is in the insurance business at Camden, and they have two children: Pamela Jean and Patricia Ann.

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#### **WHITE, Thomas Carter**

For many years active in the business life of Lewiston, Thomas Carter White is sole proprietor of the Thomas C.



White Insurance Agency. Insurance has been one of his major interests since 1910, and his contribution along these lines has been an extensive one.

Mr. White was born September 8, 1881, in Lewiston, son of Wallace H. White, a lawyer and public servant. His father was at one time county attorney, and later state senator.

Lewiston schools provided Thomas Carter White's early education, and after attending the Nicholls Latin School, he entered Bowdoin, where he was graduated in 1903. His first employment was in the engineering department of the Maine Central Railroad. Later, leaving that organization, he became associated with the Haskell Implement and Seed Company, serving at first in Lewiston, and then for a year in Boston. He then bought a half interest in an insurance business which he and his partner conducted as Benson and White until 1926. In that year, buying Mr. Benson's interest, Mr. White became sole proprietor and head of the Thomas C. White Agency.

From an early period in his career, Mr. White has interested himself in civic and political affairs, serving in city council for one term in 1904. Afterward he was three times Republican candidate for mayor of Lewiston. He is a member of the Rotary Club which he helped to found and served for a long period as treasurer. He has had thirty years of service in the club. Mr. White was the first president of the Lewiston-Auburn Country Club. He is a former member of the Montagnard Club and a former president of the Lewiston Chamber of Commerce. For thirty years he has been an officer in the Maine's Insurance Agents Association, serving variously as secretary-treasurer, chairman of the Executive Commit-

tee, executive committeeman and president. In 1946, the association dedicated its Annual Bulletin to Mr. White in recognition of his many achievements on its behalf. He has also served on the New England Advisory Council on two different occasions.

During World War I, Mr. White served on the local Registration Committee, and in World War II, he was in charge of an observation post. He has also served as treasurer of the Old Pine Street Congregational Church. In spare time he is fond of fishing.

In 1908, in Lewiston, Thomas Carter White married Martha Pratt. They became the parents of two sons: 1. Thomas Carter, Jr. 2. William. Both are active in the Thomas C. White Insurance Agency.

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#### **JENKINS, Charles D.**

The most modern funeral home in the Lewiston area is that operated by Charles D. Jenkins, as owner of the firm of Teague and Stevens, Funeral Directors. The second oldest funeral home in Lewiston, Teague and Stevens has served the area for more than a half century. Mr. Jenkins has developed a reputation for the quality of his service, not only among the general public but among his colleagues, the funeral directors of Maine. He is active in many professional and civic organizations.

Born in Webster, Maine, on August 2, 1914, Mr. Jenkins is the son of Eugene L. and Mildred A. Jenkins. He is a graduate of the high school at Sabattus, near Lewiston, and of the Renouard Training School for Embalmers in New York City. After he left high school Mr. Jenkins went to work for the Gammon Cabinet Company in Lewiston. Two

years later he left this job to enter the employ of the Webster Woolen Company in Sabattus. He became "night boss" in this firm's dye works, a position he held for three years. At the end of this period, he joined the staff of Teague and Stevens, Funeral Directors, in Lewiston, and his training in the New York institution for embalmers was part of his career in connection with the funeral home. In 1942 Mr. Teague, who had founded the business on November 11, 1894, retired, and he died in 1945. Mr. Jenkins, in association with the remaining partner, Clifford Stevens, bought Mr. Teague's interest, and the firm was a Jenkins-Stevens partnership until 1946. At that time, on September 1, 1946, Mr. Jenkins bought out Mr. Stevens. Since then he has been the sole owner. He has considerably modernized and beautified the establishment and extended its operations and prestige. The large area around Lewiston and Auburn is served by Teague and Stevens. Mr. Jenkins employs three men.

He is a member of the Associated Funeral Directors of the United States, the Maine Funeral Directors Association, and the National Funeral Directors Association, and is also a member of the Lewiston Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club of Lewiston-Auburn, the Maine Publicity Bureau and all Masonic bodies from the Blue Lodge to Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Lewiston. He worships in the United Baptist Church.

Mr. Jenkins married Carrie E. Brewer at Lisbon Center in 1935.

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#### **RUHM, Herman D.**

Herman D. Ruhm, of Cumberland Center, has achieved the position of head of

several concerns prominent in Maine's important textile industry. He is president of Bates Manufacturing Company of Lewiston, and president and founder of Bates Fabrics, with offices on Worth Street in the city of New York. He has devoted most of his career to textile management and has assumed a role of leadership in organizations growing from that industry.

Mr. Ruhm is a son of Herman D. and Margaret (Ingram) Ruhm, his father having been engaged in the phosphate business. He was born in Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, in 1902, but from his early years his education was received in the Northeastern states, and he was graduated from the preparatory school of Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn, New York, in 1919. He continued his advanced education at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, receiving both the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees, and terminating his studies in 1923.

In that year Mr. Ruhm went to the state of Nevada as a mining engineer, and later was associated with the Standard Oil Company for three years in the general engineering department at Rahway, New Jersey. He then joined Associated Dry Goods Corporation, and for three years was merchandising manager of the home furnishings department. In 1930 Mr. Ruhm terminated this connection to go with Bliss Fabyan, selling agents.

In 1937 he founded Bates Fabrics, with offices at 80 Worth Street in New York City, which functioned as selling agents for the Bates Manufacturing Company. In 1943 Mr. Wyman gave Mr. Ruhm the selling agency for other Bates fabrics and products of the Bates mills. His New York operations were conducted under







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the name of Maine Mills, at 40 Worth Street in New York. Mr. Ruhm divided his time between the two distributing concerns. In 1945 the five mills were amalgamated, and Mr. Ruhm became president of all five, so that he now holds the title of president of the Bates Manufacturing Company at Lewiston. Bates Fabrics continues as selling agents for Bates Manufacturing Company. The manufacturing firm has had sizeable government contracts, particularly during the period of World War II.

Mr. Ruhm is a member of the Merchants Club of New York, and the Yale Club and University Club in the same city. He belongs to the Cumberland Club and the Portland Country Club at Portland, and the Fairfield Country Club in Southport, Connecticut. He is a director of both the Cotton Textile Institute and the Cotton Textile Merchants, and is a director of the National Federation of Textile Manufacturers. In his religious faith, Mr. Ruhm is an Episcopalian. As outdoor recreations he prefers golf and tennis.

At Southport, Connecticut, in 1928, Herman D. Ruhm married Martica Gookin Sturges, and they became the parents of three children: Martica Sturges, Margaret Ingram, and Thomas Francis. The family resides at Sasco Point, Southport, Connecticut, and Mr. Ruhm retains offices both in New York City and in Lewiston.

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#### **MERRILL, Henry F.**

Many and varied are the business connections of Henry F. Merrill, former treasurer and general manager of the Randall & McAllister, Inc., coal company, of Portland, with which he was associated for sixty-four years, until his retirement

in the fall of 1947. Mr. Merrill is president of the Federal Loan & Building Association, to which post he was re-elected in 1949, for the twenty-eighth time. He is also a director of nine other business organizations.

Henry F. Merrill was born in Portland, February 15, 1868, son of Samuel Noyes and Elizabeth (Foster) Merrill, both natives of Falmouth. His father, who was an engineer in the Custom House in Portland, died in 1879; his mother died in 1872. Mr. Merrill received his education in the public schools and then engaged in active business life. Always a student and a reader, he has continued self-directed study throughout his career, and at present he has the largest private library in the state of Maine. In 1924 he received from Colby College an honorary degree of Master of Arts. Completing his school training at the age of ten and a half years, Mr. Merrill learned the trade of bookbinder and remained with his first employer for a period of five years. At the end of that time he became identified with the Randall & McAllister coal company, which connection he maintained until 1947. He served in various capacities until 1898, when he was made treasurer. In 1923 he was appointed general manager and treasurer, in which position he rounded out a period of sixty-four years of continuous connection with the Randall & McAllister coal company.

Success in this business connection, however, represents but a part of the achievements of Mr. Merrill: he is president of the Federal Loan and Building Association; has served as vice president of the Casco Bank and Trust Company of Portland since it was formed; and is a director of nine other corporations. He



was chairman of the Maine Council division of the New England Council for several years, and is actively interested in the Young Men's Christian Association, having been president of the state Y.M.C.A. for many years, and, upon his retirement two years ago, was elected president emeritus. During World War I. he served as chairman of all Maine Young Men's Christian Association work in providing Young Men's Christian Association war secretaries, and was chairman of the Cumberland County "drives." Mr. Merrill was a member of the board of the State Reformatory for Men for six years and he is a member of the advisory board, American Prison Association. He is vice president of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association and of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, and was president of the board of directors of the Port of Portland Authority since its inception, in 1917, until his resignation, in 1948, when he was made president emeritus. In 1922 he organized The Industrial Development and Manufacturing Corporation and has since owned and operated it as treasurer. The firm specializes in submarine precision parts, compressors, and pumps for the United States Government.

Though so busily engaged with business, civic, and ethical activities, Mr. Merrill also finds time for the enjoyment of music. He was first president of the Portland Men's Singing Club, and was the first chairman of the Music Committee of the city of Portland, continuing in that office for nine years. He is very well known in club circles, being a member of thirty-one clubs in Portland and other places, and he holds membership in both the Rotary and the Lions clubs. He is also affiliated with the Portland Ancient

Free and Accepted Masons: Mount Vernon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Portland Council, Royal and Select Masters; Portland Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar; Maine Consistory, Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret; Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and he holds the Thirty-second degree in the Masonic order.

His religious affiliation is with the St. Lawrence Congregational Church, which he serves as a member of the standing committee and in the Sunday school. For forty-six years he has taught a men's Bible class which is the largest in the state of Maine and the second largest in the United States: the 13 Class, of more than 1,300 members in 1944. Mr. Merrill considers this the crowning achievement of his life.

Henry F. Merrill was married, June 16, 1887, to Mabel A. Randall, of Portland, daughter of John F. and Elvira S. (Sargent) Randall. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill are the parents of one daughter, Ruth Elizabeth, who married George E. McGowan, Jr. The family home is at No. 5 Eastern Promenade, Portland.

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#### **STOBIE, George J.**

One of the interesting and popular men who gather in the State House at Augusta, is George J. Stobie, who soon will be able to celebrate a quarter of a century as Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game for Maine. Although not a native of the state, the most of his colorful career has been identified with Maine, of which he is an earnest "booster," devoted to promoting its best development and adequate publicity.

George J. Stobie was born in Glen



Eagles, Scotland, son of William H. Stobie, who came from his native land to America to follow his trade, that of an expert paper maker. It was he who constructed the important Hollingsworth and Whitney Company mill. The son was educated in the public schools, Hebron Academy, and the University of Maine, and his first employment of note was with the Hollingsworth and Whitney Paper Mills, where he learned to be a skilled estimator of timber. None of his extensive knowledge of the forests and topography of Maine gained through the years has been lost in his present position. In 1926 Mr. Stobie became Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game, and has carried out his responsibilities with a firm yet understanding hand. He is the friend of true sportsmen, however much he may be feared by the breaker of the law. George J. Stobie is known all over America, notably in the Eastern states, as the honorary member of thirty or more fish and game clubs. He is oldest in point of service by seven years of any man in a similar position in the United States. He is a director of the Maine Publicity Bureau, and is registered as a patron of the Smithsonian Institution of Washington, D. C. Fraternally he is affiliated with the various bodies of Masonry, being a Thirty-second degree Mason, member of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His college fraternity is Alpha Tau Omega, and he is a member of the Congregational Church. He is a popular sportsman and former athlete. Golf is currently his game, but at one time he was not only a baseball pitcher for the University of Maine, but for two years pitched for the Boston "Red Sox."

George J. Stobie is married and the father of three children: Lucille, Frances,

and George, Jr., the latter, having served in the United States Marines during World War II, is currently manager of conventions at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York.

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#### **CLARK, Rev. Cornelius Edwards**

Rev. Cornelius Edwards Clark, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Divinity, Doctor of Humane Letters, of Portland, has since 1945 served as superintendent of the Congregational Christian Conference of Maine. He had previously rendered devoted service to his church, filling several Congregational pulpits in the state. Dr. Clark is active in fraternal affairs.

Born at Haverhill, Massachusetts, June 2, 1894, Dr. Clark is a son of Calvin Montague and Helen Munson (Cobb) Clark. His father was likewise a clergyman and educator. For thirty years, 1906-1936, Calvin Montague Clark was Waldo Professor of Ecclesiastical History at Bangor Theological Seminary, and was professor emeritus from 1936 to 1947.

On completing his secondary education Cornelius Edwards Clark entered Yale University, where he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1915. His theological preparation was undertaken at Hartford Theological Seminary, where he was in residence during 1919-1920, and at Bangor Theological Seminary, from which in 1922 he received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. In 1936 the University of Maine conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters.

Dr. Clark had begun his career in the field of education with his appointment, in 1915, to principalship of the Lee Academy at Lee, Maine. He remained there until 1917, leaving to conclude his theological studies. On receipt of his degree

of Bachelor of Divinity in 1922, he accepted a call to the pulpit of the Congregational Church at Dover-Foxcroft, Maine, where he remained for five years. He next became pastor of the Congregational Church at Auburndale, Massachusetts, and served this church from 1927 to 1931. In the latter year Dr. Clark became pastor of the Woodfords Congregational Church in Portland. He held this pastorate until 1945, in which year he became minister and superintendent of the Congregational Christian Conference of Maine, which important church office he has administered since.

Dr. Clark is prominently identified with Masonry. He is a member of Deering Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Portland; is a Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Maine; is a member of Yates Lodge of Perfection, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, in Portland; of the Portland Council of the Princes of Jerusalem, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; of the Dunlap Chapter of Rose Croix, of which he is Past Most Wise Master; and of the Maine Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. Dr. Clark is also an honorary member of the Supreme Council, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. Locally, he holds membership in the Fraternity Club of Portland, the Woodfords Club, and Ralph D. Caldwell Post of the American Legion. Dr. Clark served in World War I with Battery B, 303rd Field Artillery, American Expeditionary Forces.

At Hartford, Connecticut, November 21, 1917, Rev. Cornelius Edwards Clark married Susie Elizabeth Martin, daughter of Richard Penberthy and Edith Elizabeth (Oakley) Martin. Rev. and Mrs. Clark have two children: 1. Edith Hooker,

born February 8, 1920. 2. Cornelius Edwards, Jr., born November 6, 1922.

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#### **MEWER, Judge Wesley M.**

Judge Wesley M. Mewer, attorney at law and trial justice of Old Orchard Beach, has been a member of the bar of the state of Maine since 1922, and has served the people of his state ably and conscientiously, in both public office and private practice for nearly that entire period, the only exception being an appointment with the United States Shipping Board in Washington, D. C. Ever active in the life of his town, Judge Mewer has served this municipality in many capacities—as town clerk, chief engineer of the fire department, tax collector, and member of the school board—before his appointment by Senator Brewster to the post of trial justice. His fellow citizens have always found Judge Mewer's performance in public office to have a distinctive and unselfish quality.

Wesley M. Mewer is a native of Portland, Maine, born April 7, 1893, son of William J. and Hattie M. (Milliken) Mewer. His parents were both natives of the Pine Tree State, his father having been born in New Brunswick, and his mother in Old Orchard, which the Judge early chose as the seat of his career. His early years were spent there, as the family moved to Old Orchard in the year of his birth. He attended public grade and high schools there, graduating from Old Orchard High School in the class of 1908. He thereafter entered Thornton Academy at Saco, and on graduation in 1911 entered Carnegie Institute of Technology at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. His preparation for a career in the law was obtained at George Washington University Law School; the Washington College of Law,







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where he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1922; and Southeastern University from which he received the degree of Master of Laws in 1924.

In the meantime, however, Wesley Mewer had served during World War I in the United States Marine Corps, in which he enlisted in 1917. He remained in the corps until some time after the cessation of hostilities—indeed, until November, 1921, the last two years of his service being as member of a service records team.

After his return to civilian life and the completion of his law studies, Judge Mewer became a member of the law department of the United States Shipping Board, in Washington, D. C., with which governmental agency he remained from November, 1921 to January, 1926. The early months of this appointment were concurrent with his completion of law studies at George Washington University. In 1922 he was admitted to the bar of the state of Maine, although it was some four years later that he undertook practice in his native state. Ever since his return, he has maintained offices in Old Orchard.

He has upheld a consistently high standard of legal practice in his community, and has at various periods been accorded the honor of public office. He was town clerk as early as 1914, when only twenty-one years of age, and was in 1917 chief engineer of the Old Orchard Fire Department. He served as tax collector in 1927-1928, and was a member of the school board from 1932 to 1934, inclusively.

In November, 1925, Wesley M. Mewer was appointed by the present Senator Brewster, then governor of the state, to serve as trial justice of York County. This post he has filled with distinction

ever since. In addition to his position at the bench, and the maintenance of a private law practice, Judge Mewer is a director of the York National Bank of Saco, Maine.

Judge Mewer is affiliated with the Masonic order, being a member of Orchard Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He belongs also to the American Legion, and he and his family worship at the Methodist Church.

In Washington, D. C., July 26, 1922, Judge Wesley M. Mewer married Mary F. Owen of that city, daughter of Frank T. and Mary S. (Hardy) Owen. Mrs. Mewer's father is now deceased, although her mother is still living. Judge and Mrs. Mewer are the parents of three children: 1. Hazel E., born in Washington, June 9, 1924. She is a graduate of Old Orchard High School and Westbrook Junior College, and is now married to Owen S. Keller, of Norway, Maine. They were married at Old Orchard Beach. 2. Jean O., born September 8, 1927, graduate of Old Orchard High School, who attended the University of Maine, and is now at New England Baptist Hospital, Roxbury, Massachusetts, where she is taking nurses' training. 3. Wesley O., born at Old Orchard Beach April 19, 1931, and now a student at Old Orchard High School.

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#### **BEAL, Lester I.**

One of the eminent architects of New England, Lester I. Beal has practiced his profession in Maine from the beginning of his career, and has headed the architectural firm of Miller and Beal, Inc., of Portland, for over twenty years. His professional efforts have been effective in giving to the New England states many attractive and well-designed churches, schools, and other public buildings, as



well as structures of a commercial nature. Mr. Beal is active in the club life of his community.

A son of Nathaniel A. and Nettie A. (Graves) Beal, Lester I. Beal was born at Lisbon Falls, December 21, 1887. On conclusion of his secondary education, he became apprenticed in the firm of Miller and Mayo, architects, of Lewiston, remaining with that firm from 1907 until 1921. At the end of that time, Mr. Beal determined to pursue further architectural studies in the scholastic realm, and entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he was a student during 1922.

Returning to Portland and to his association with Miller and Mayo, he became associate member of the firm, and from 1922 to 1926, the firm was known as Miller, Mayo and Beal. In 1929, he founded the firm of Miller and Beal in Portland, and has since been its president.

His name is identified with the designing of all manner of public buildings, not only in Maine but throughout the New England States, and he is now chairman of the Maine State Board of Architects, having been a member of the commission since the Registration Law was passed in 1945. He is a member of the Lions Club, and is vice president of the Reciprocity Club, and belongs also to the Woodfords Club, all of Portland.

During World War I, Mr. Beal enlisted in the Field Artillery and served with the rank of second lieutenant. He was discharged in December, 1918.

Lester I. Beal has been twice married. He married, first, Bertha Reed, who is deceased. He married, second, on May 21, 1945, Carrie Morgan. Mr. Beal is the father of one daughter, Gloria.

Mr. Beal's business address is at 465 Congress Street and he resides at 186 Concord Street, Portland.

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#### **WHEATON, Dr. Fred B.**

Dr. Fred B. Wheaton, retired dentist of Biddeford and now president of the York County Savings Bank of Biddeford, practiced dentistry there from 1909 to 1940 and has been president of the savings bank since 1940. Dr. Wheaton was born in Salisbury, in the province of New Brunswick, Canada, January 8, 1884, the son of Calvin and Josephine (Hoar) Wheaton. His father, who was a native of Salisbury and is buried there, was a railroader in New Brunswick. His mother, who was a native of Hillsboro, New Brunswick, is buried at Medford, Massachusetts.

Dr. Wheaton graduated in 1909 from Tufts College Dental School, where he was marshal of his class. From 1909 to 1940 he practiced dentistry in Biddeford in association with his wife, Dr. Grace (Emery) Wheaton, who was also a member of the class of 1909 at Tufts College Dental School. The two Dr. Wheatons both practiced until 1940 and then retired from active dentistry. Dr. Fred B. Wheaton was elected president of the York County Savings Bank in 1938. Since 1940 he has been active as president of this bank, of which he is also a trustee, and in addition he serves as a director of the First National Bank of Biddeford. Dr. Wheaton is a past president of the State of Maine Dental Society, a past member of the State Board of Dental Examiners and a Fellow of the New York Academy of Dentistry. He is a past president of the Maine Savings Bank Association. Fraternally Dr. Wheaton is



affiliated with Dunlap Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons at Biddeford and all bodies up to and including the Thirty-second degree, being identified with both Scottish and York Rites, Royal Arch Masons at Saco, Biddeford Commandery, Knights Templar, and Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Biddeford-Saco Rotary Club and the Biddeford-Saco Country Club. Dr. Wheaton's favorite recreations are fishing, hunting, and golf. He is a great lover of horses and dogs and is particularly fond of setters. Dr. Wheaton is a Universalist.

He married at Biddeford, August 16, 1909, Dr. Grace Emery, a graduate of Biddeford High School and of Tufts College Dental School. She is the daughter of Dr. Caleb J. and Louella (Bassett) Emery of Biddeford. Mrs. Wheaton is prominent in community affairs at Biddeford. She is president of the Thursday Club and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

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#### **GERRISH, Herman Samuel**

Herman Samuel Gerrish, proprietor and manager of the Seagate Hotel at Old Orchard, is chairman of the boards of selectmen, overseers of the poor, and assessors at Old Orchard Beach, offices which he has held for some sixteen years. Mr. Gerrish is also a member of the Maine Legislature, representing North Kennebunkport, Old Orchard Beach, and York. He is very active in civic affairs.

Herman Samuel Gerrish was born in Poland in 1885, the son of Harold and Ruth (Steinhouse) Gerrish, his father being a farmer. His formal education was for the most part confined to night schools, which he attended while making a living during the day.

Mr. Gerrish has for a number of years been proprietor and manager of the Seagate Hotel at Old Orchard Beach and the Seagate Candy Kitchen. In addition he is active as a real estate broker and himself owns other real estate. He has long been prominent in Republican politics. He was a delegate to the National Convention in Chicago, where he voted for Theodore Roosevelt. For sixteen years he has served as chairman of the boards of selectmen, overseers of the poor, and assessors at Old Orchard Beach. As a member of the Maine Legislature representing Old Orchard Beach, North Kennebunkport, and York, he has been an active worker for all that concerns the welfare of his section, as well as the state at large. He was sponsor of the bill requiring six months' residence in the state for voting, passed for referendum in 1937, and was instrumental in obtaining the Cascade Road and eliminating the dangerous curve therein. Mr. Gerrish was appointed by Governor Horace Hildreth to serve as advisory board member for York and Cumberland counties for the United States office of Rent Control, and still holds this post. He served as administrator of the Emergency Relief Advisory Board, and was chairman of the United Service Organization during the war period, also serving as chairman of war bond drives for the United States Treasury, all drives being oversubscribed. He was specially commended by Fred M. Vinson, Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, for his able and devoted work in this connection. Mr. Gerrish also served as chairman of Civilian Defense, and was commended by Ex-Governor Sumner Sewall for his loyalty and contribution to the welfare and security of the people of the state of Maine. He is affiliated fraternally with the An-

cient Free and Accepted Masons and holds the Thirty-second degree in the Masonic Order.

On October 27, 1918 at Portland, Herman Samuel Gerrish was married to Lena Lillian Levinsky, the daughter of Philip Samuel and Sarah Leah (Shapiro) Levinsky. Mr. and Mrs. Gerrish have one son, Philip Harold Gerrish, born February 22, 1924.

On the occasion of his candidacy to the Maine Legislature in the summer of 1948, his co-workers in administering the town of Old Orchard Beach issued the following "Message to Republicans" in support of Mr. Gerrish:

"Day in, day out, around the calendar, we have had close association with Herman S. Gerrish here in the Town Hall. We have known and worked with him for years, in some cases as many as sixteen years. We have watched him closely, and have seen how he works. . . .

"Mr. Gerrish has shown himself to be a man of boundless energy during his many years as Chairman of the Boards of Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor. He has done things for this town. He was instrumental in getting us a new high school building; in getting two new highways, and in putting Old Orchard Beach on the map with many summer attractions. If he is elected to the Legislature, we have complete confidence that he will do things for York and North Kennebunkport as he has for Old Orchard Beach, and he will surely do his part in keeping Maine on the map.

"Times such as these demand a man with his feet on the ground, but with an eye to the future. In this respect, Mr. Gerrish is the man. He has been a successful business man for thirty years and, as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, he is administering admirably a five million dollar corporation. He is a humanitarian, deeply interested in improving the lot of the aged and of dependent children. Every one of us has been a child and will some day be old. The welfare of all of us is, therefore, affected by child and old age legislation. Mr. Gerrish is the man for us and, we are certain, the man for all of you."

## GOULD, Iva F.

The business and professional women of Maine number among their leaders a woman who has long been outstanding as a certified public accountant and business executive, a woman who is now president and treasurer of The Gilpatrick Agency, Inc., of Old Orchard Beach, Miss Iva F. Gould.

She was born in Pittsfield, Maine, the daughter of Gilman S. and Frances R. (Towle) Gould, the family moving to Saco when she was a young girl. She began her education in Pittsfield's schools and continued in those of Saco, after which she attended Gray's Portland Business College and Boston University and took the correspondence courses of the LaSalle Extension University. In 1933, when the state of Maine issued her certificate, she became the second woman certified public accountant in the state.

Miss Gould served as accountant and treasurer for J. G. Deering and Son, the Biddeford lumber concern, from 1920 to 1932. From 1933 to 1938 she was with the firm of Charles F. Rittenhouse and Company, Certified Public Accountants, in Boston, and from 1938 to 1940 was secretary to Harry A. Gregg, president of the Indian Head National Bank of Nashua, New Hampshire. In 1940 Miss Gould purchased her present business, adopting the name of The Gilpatrick Agency, Inc. She has been president and treasurer of the corporation since the beginning. The firm handles all kinds of insurance, including fire, life, casualty, accident, and health, and is one of the best known in its section of the state. It is located at 42-B Old Orchard Street, Old Orchard Beach.

Miss Gould is a charter member of the Saco and Biddeford Business and Pro-







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fessional Women's Club. In the year 1932-1933 she was state treasurer of the Maine State Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

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**DOW, John C.**

Engaged in the jewelry business in Portland, John C. Dow is treasurer of the local firm Dow and Stubling.

Mr. Dow was born December 19, 1914, in Portland, Maine, son of the late Arthur Dow (q.v.), who was formerly active in the jewelry business, and Sarah (Chase) Dow, who is now president of Dow and Stubling. John C. Dow attended Portland schools and, after graduation from Deering High School, he entered Northeastern University, where he was graduated in 1937. During his student days in Portland he gained his earliest experience with Dow and Stubling, which was established in 1926.

After completing his university studies, he returned to this firm and proceeded to take an important part in its upbuilding. In 1938 his father had become sole owner of the firm by the purchase of the interest of the late W. H. Stubling, who died May 12, 1938. The enterprise was incorporated in January, 1947, and the elder Mr. Dow continued to head the business until his death on February 27 of that year. Under the corporate agreement, Mrs. Dow, the widow of the founder, became president of the organization, while John C. Dow became treasurer and William S. Linnell was made clerk. The present corporation is affiliated with the Registered Jewelers of the American Gem Society.

In addition to his work with this firm, Mr. Dow has figured prominently in Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in

which he is affiliated with Corner Stone Lodge No. 216, at Portland; numerous bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite; and holds the Thirty-second degree. He is a Methodist.

John C. Dow married, August 10, 1940, in Portland, Kathryn Goshen, of Lewiston. Mrs. Dow is a graduate of Thornton Academy, in Saco, and they are the parents of one daughter, Barbara Elizabeth Dow, born in Portland, in 1946.

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**DOW, Arthur**

Founder of one of Portland's outstanding business enterprises, the jewelry firm of Dow and Stubling, the late Arthur Dow became, during a lifetime devoted to the best interests of that city, one of its most respected residents. His family continues its association with the firm in the person of his son, John C. Dow (q.v.), who is now treasurer and manager. Even in his closing years, withdrawn from business activities, Arthur Dow maintained a vital interest in civic and organizational affairs. His influence was a most constructive one.

Born in Dayton, Maine, February 27, 1877, Arthur Dow was a son of Albert and Frances (Hill) Dow. His father, who operated a farm near Dayton, was a man of varied interests. He organized and directed a choir in the Methodist Church in Dayton; and in addition to his demanding occupation found time to give music lessons.

Although spending his early years on his father's farm, Arthur Dow went early to Biddeford, and there attended the public schools. There also he learned the jewelry trade, in the establishment of James H. Fenderson. Starting in this business at the age of sixteen years, he remained in Biddeford for twelve years

in association with Mr. Fenderson, at the end of which time he was skilled in the field of jewelry and watchmaking; and with a view to advancing himself and shaping a more secure future he came to Portland and associated himself with George Springer, head of the George Springer Company, in the capacity of watchmaker. In 1926, Arthur Dow determined to enter business for himself. In partnership with W. H. Stubling, he established the jewelry firm of Dow and Stubling, which, maintaining its shop at 581 Congress Street, has won and retained the good will and the custom of the most critical of Portland residents. It carries a complete quality line of diamonds and other jewelry, watches, and silverware, as well as maintaining a repair service characterized by skilled and conscientious workmanship. The training and understanding of a lifetime in the jewelry business went into the launching of Mr. Dow's partnership with W. H. Stubling. The two continued operations jointly until the time of Mr. Stubling's death twelve years after the founding of the firm, on May 12, 1938. Mr. Dow then bought his interest, and continued as sole owner until the time of his own death, February 27, 1947. The business had been incorporated just a month previously.

Arthur Dow's son, John C., had been associated with him in the business from the time of his graduation from Northeastern University. He has continued in the management of the firm of Dow and Stubling.

The elder Mr. Dow was a Thirty-second degree Mason, a member of the local lodge, and of St. Albans Commandery. He was for many years a member of the Lions, and belonged also to the

Fish and Game Association. Like his father before him, he was interested in the work of the church. Of Methodist faith, he was a member of the Men's Club of the Clark Memorial Church.

At Biddeford, September 22, 1905, Arthur Dow married Sarah Chase, daughter of John Lombard and Sarah Ayer (Spear) Chase. Mr. and Mrs. Dow became the parents of two children: 1. John C., born December 19, 1914. 2. Margery, who married Robert Fuller. They reside in Portland.

On February 27, 1947, Arthur Dow died, leaving behind the impress of a worthy and constructive personality whose skill and high ethics in business and unselfish activity in support of church, lodge, and city were fully appreciated by his fellow townsmen.

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#### **HARRIMAN, Edward A.**

Edward A. Harriman of Biddeford is a leading figure in the grain and milling industry in New England, holding executive office and directorship in no less than eight feed, grain, and supply companies located throughout the New England states, and of yet another located in Buffalo, New York. Mr. Harriman became manager of the Biddeford-Saco Grain Company in 1932, and he has remained in the community directing its operations at first hand. His thorough knowledge of his field, however, and his exceptional administrative qualifications, have been highly valued by other related concerns, in which he has had an interest for over fifteen years. Mr. Harriman is a constructive member of his community, is interested in banking, and in various commercial enterprises and is a leader in the carrying out of programs for the civic welfare.



He was born at Bartlett, New Hampshire, January 8, 1906, son of Edward Clarence and Florence Mary Ann (Aldridge) Harriman. His father was a railroad engineer for many years, thirty-nine years of his career being spent in the service of the Maine Central Railroad. He died in 1944, and is buried at Bartlett, New Hampshire. His wife, also a native of Bartlett, now resides in Portland, Maine.

At Bartlett, New Hampshire, Edward A. Harriman attended public schools, and continued his education at Fryeburg Academy in Maine. He entered the business world in 1929, accepting a position as manager of the Saco Grain Company, with which he remained until 1932. From that year until 1934 he managed the Biddeford-Saco Grain Company; and from 1934 to the present time has held the following executive positions: vice president, general manager, and director of the Biddeford-Saco Grain Company; vice president and director of the Park and Pollard Grain Company, of Buffalo, New York (held since 1939); vice president and director of the New Castle Grain Company, in Maine, director and general manager of the Farmers' Feed and Supply Company, of New Hampshire; vice president and general manager of two Massachusetts firms, the Ellison Coal and Grain Company and the Farmers Feed and Supply Company; vice president and general manager and director of the Danville Grain Company and of the Chester Grain Company, both in Vermont; and vice president, general manager, and director of the Modern Grain Company of Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Mr. Harriman's executive qualities have been an important factor in assuring continued success to these concerns in their operations; and these same abili-

ties have been sought in the local sphere. He is trustee of the York County Savings Bank, and during 1947-1948 was president of the Biddeford Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Memorial Field committee of the city of Biddeford, a director of the Webber Hospital at Biddeford, and a trustee of the McArthur Library and of the Woodlawn Cemetery, both also located in Biddeford.

Mr. Harriman is a Past Master of Dunlap Lodge No. 47 of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Biddeford, belongs to the Maine Consistory, and holds the Thirty-second degree in Masonry. He is a member of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Harriman is also a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau, and is a former director and member of the Biddeford-Saco Country Club. Among outdoor sports he prefers golf, and among the quieter pastimes, reading, keeping himself well informed on a wide range of interests. In religious faith, Mr. Harriman is a Congregationalist.

At Parsonsfield, Maine, April 30, 1924 Edward A. Harriman married Madeline Merrill of North Conway, New Hampshire, daughter of Frank W. and Minnie (Wentworth) Merrill. Mr. and Mrs. Harriman are the parents of two sons: 1. Gordon Norman, born October 27, 1925, at Saco, Maine. He now makes his residence at Lebanon, New Hampshire, and is associated with his father's companies in the capacity of field salesman. He is a graduate of Biddeford High School and Bridgton Academy, and during World War II served in the United States Army Air Corps as a gunner in a B-24, being stationed first in the United States, later in the Pacific Theater of Operations. Gordon Norman Harriman is married to Jane Morrison, the cere-



mony taking place at Biddeford, August 14, 1947. She is a daughter of Mrs. W. Y. Morrison. They are the parents of a daughter, Laura Jean, who was born August 13, 1948 at Lebanon, New Hampshire. 2. Frank Edward, born July 21, 1934 at Biddeford, now attending Harmon Hall School at York Beach, Maine. The family's residence is at 371 Alfred Street in Biddeford.

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**SNOW, John Albert, Jr.**

John Albert Snow, Jr., an attorney at law in Biddeford, has taken an active role in public life, and has served his community as city solicitor and as justice of the peace and notary. He is prominent in banking, and in his legal practice specializes in probate and corporation law, in which fields he has earned the confidence of his many clients and the public at large.

Born in Scarborough, Maine, August 10, 1902, Mr. Snow is a son of Judge John Albert and Ella K. (Litchfield) Snow, the former for many years a conspicuous figure at the bench and bar of Biddeford. He was a native of Scarborough, born September 16, 1871, son of John S. and Anna A. (Leavitt) Snow, his father being the captain of a fishing boat and following seafaring pursuits all his life. John Albert Snow, Sr., attended the public grade and high schools and thereafter entered Williams College, but after a year transferred to Bates College in Lewiston, where he completed his scholastic training. At the end of that time he was determined to study law, and in the accomplishment of his purpose chose what was probably the hardest, but most ambitious way. He entered the law offices of Hamilton and Cleaves in Biddeford, where he served as clerk and read law. Within a short time he was qualified for

admission to the bar of the state of Maine. He continued in practice from 1895 until the time of his death, 1926. Mr. Snow became associated with John M. Goodwin of Biddeford, and the legal partnership continued with increasing success and honor during the many years which followed. In 1908 John Albert Snow, Sr., was elected to the legislature of the state of Maine, and served his term until 1909 with skill and administrative ability. For many years prior to the time of his death, he was judge of the Municipal Court of Biddeford. His professional affiliations included the York County Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. He was likewise president of the York County Savings Bank, and member of the board of directors of the First National Bank of Biddeford. He was also prominently enrolled in the leading social and civic organizations of Biddeford. He was of Unitarian faith. John Albert Snow, Sr., married Ella K. Litchfield in 1896. A resident of Portland, she was a daughter of Charles L. and Mary W. (Kelsey) Litchfield of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Snow became the parents of the following children: 1. Kathleyne S., a graduate of Tufts College with the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Doctor of Medicine. She became a practicing physician in Boston, Massachusetts. 2. John Albert, Jr., of whom further. 3. Annabel K. 4. Clarence L. 5. Clara E. 6. Eva L.

The younger John Albert Snow graduated from the public schools of Biddeford, and from Thornton Academy in Saco. He then entered Tufts College, Medford, Massachusetts, and, determining to follow in his father's footsteps in a legal career, he enrolled at Boston University School of Law where he completed his legal studies. Since that time, Mr. Snow

has practiced in Biddeford, having been admitted to practice in the state of Maine in September, 1927. Although conducting a general practice, Mr. Snow considers probate and corporation law his specialty. At present a justice of the peace and notary, he served the city of Saco, Maine, as city solicitor from 1937 to 1940. He is a trustee of the York County Savings Bank, and is also the owner of a grocery store in Saco. Mr. Snow also conducts an insurance business in Biddeford, under the name of the H. H. Goodwin Insurance Company.

Professionally, Mr. Snow is a member of the bar associations of the state of Maine and of York County. He belongs to the Maine Publicity Bureau. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Biddeford Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In religious faith, he and his family are Congregationalists.

At Biddeford, November 1, 1925, John Snow, Jr., married Annabelle Roberge of that city, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanislaus Roberge. They are the parents of seven children: 1. Kathleyne R., born in August, 1928 and a graduate of Biddeford High School, now associated with her father in the law office. 2. John Albert, III, born in September, 1929, attended Biddeford High School. He married Paula Bean of Biddeford, and is now employed at the Saco-Lowell Shops in Biddeford. 3. Gerald, born in December, 1931. 4. Ella K., born in December, 1933, attending school in Biddeford. 5. Harold M., born in July, 1935. 6. Annabelle, born in June, 1938. 7. Lawrence P., born October 28, 1945.

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#### **DOWD, Norbert Xavier**

A personality well-known in the chamber of commerce movement in his native New England and in athletic circles,

especially among the followers of football, Norbert Xavier Dowd is today executive secretary of the Bangor Chamber of Commerce in the Pine Tree State's third city. In World War II, he served the nation in the Army's training program and in the Selective Service System's employment program.

Born at Worcester, Massachusetts, on August 4, 1906, Norbert Xavier Dowd is the son of James Francis and Mary Agnes (Brown) Dowd. His father, who was born in Worcester on July 4, 1871, was a plumbing contractor in that city, where he died on February 22, 1938. The mother died in Worcester on October 26, 1938. The chamber of commerce executive's grandparents were Dominick and Mary (Gordon) Dowd, both of whom were natives of Galway, Ireland, who immigrated to the United States in the middle of the nineteenth century, settled in Worcester and married there.

Receiving his early education in the public schools of Worcester, Norbert X. Dowd was graduated from that city's Classical High School in 1924. He then matriculated at the College of the Holy Cross, also in Worcester, from which he was graduated in 1928 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Subsequently, in the summer session of 1929, he did post-graduate work at Boston University.

Mr. Dowd began his career in September, 1928, as an instructor in English and director of athletics at the John Bapst High School in Bangor. He has been serving the state of Maine ever since. In June, 1941 he resigned from the high school to become regional manager of the Maine Publicity Bureau in Bangor, and this post he held until February, 1948. In his last four years with the state's publicity bureau Mr. Dowd began his service with the Bangor Chamber of



Commerce, working as its secretary, part-time. When he left the bureau it was to assume the executive secretaryship as a full-time job, and he has since that time been credited with a great contribution to the development of the city and the surrounding area within Penobscot County. Mr. Dowd became a notary public on December 31, 1946, and on January 22, 1947, was named a Justice of the Peace. Interested in athletics since boyhood, he has kept active in the world of sports by officiating in various scholastic and other football, basketball, and baseball games and is a former president of the State of Maine Football Association, in which he retains a position of influence and leadership. In the World War II period he was an instructor in physical education at the University of Maine at Orono, playing a role in the special training program of the United States Army. Also, he was the employment committeeman on the Penobscot County Local Board No. 1 of the Maine Branch of the Selective Service System. Mr. Dowd is the secretary and treasurer of the Bangor Executives Club, is active in the Tarra-tine Club of Bangor, was president of the Kiwanis Club of Bangor in 1950, and is active in the New England Association of Commercial Executives, and the National Association of Commercial Organization Secretaries. He is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church of St. John, in Bangor.

Mr. Dowd married Theresa F. Nelligan of Bangor in that city, on August 25, 1932. Mrs. Dowd is the daughter of John P. and Catherine (Geohagan) Nelligan. Three children have been born to the marriage: Norbert Xavier Dowd, Jr., on March 9, 1935; James Gordon Dowd, on April 30, 1937; and Shaun Nelligan Dowd, on December 27, 1941. Norbert,

Jr., is now a student at John Bapst High School and James and Shaun are pupils in St. John's Grammar School.

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### **BOURISK, John J.**

Few men have contributed more to the agricultural and commercial development of Maine than John J. Bourisk, of Lewiston. As president of the Maine State Fair Association, he has given much of his time to the promotion of this association and under his leadership the Maine State Fair has once again taken its position as one of the outstanding fairs in New England. He holds a franchise for distribution of Maytag appliances under the J. J. Bourisk Company, allowing distribution of Maytag appliances to dealers in Maine and five counties in New Hampshire. The Lewiston Maytag Company, Inc., owned by Mr. Bourisk, has a dealership for Maytag appliances as well as Frigidaire appliances in Lewiston and Auburn.

Mr. Bourisk is head of the Hy-trous Corporation that produces and distributes Hy-trous liquid fertilizer. This fertilizer, effective for lawns, horticulture, and gardening, is manufactured by the Hy-trous Corporation and distributed by the Hy-trous Sales Company. Mr. Bourisk is also interested in the real estate business, having holdings at Old Orchard Beach.

Mr. Bourisk was born at Tupper Lake, New York, in 1900, the son of Michael and Mary Bourisk, and received his education in the schools of foreign countries. On returning to this country, he engaged in the clothing business for a short time, but, in 1922, he entered the appliance business in Berlin, New Hampshire. Three years later he became the distributor for Maytag appliances in the town





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of Rumford, following which he became interested in business in Lewiston, forming the Lewiston Maytag Company, Inc., in 1927, becoming the first representative of the Maytag Company in the East. In 1934, he became district manager for the Maytag Company in the state of Maine as well as wholesaler in the state of Maine for Maytag Products, and also became state distributor for the Stewart-Warner Corporation. In 1934, Mr. Bourisk instigated the only finance plan under retail financing without recourse to the dealer. This plan operated through the First National Bank of Lewiston and since its inception has proved extremely successful.

It was in 1941 that Mr. Bourisk organized the Hy-trous Corporation which manufactures the Hy-trous liquid fertilizer, the only one of its kind in the country. At that time, this fertilizer was accepted and registered in forty-two states, including New England and the Southern states, California, and also the Dominion of Canada. The idea was originated in China many centuries ago. The Chinese dammed up a river which contained, in its waters, all the necessary minerals for the growth of plant life. They kept the river dammed until the proper season of the year and then they caused it to flood over the land, increasing the growth of their crops. Hy-trous, a balanced liquid fertilizer, requires no deterioration period when applied to plant roots and hence is available immediately for assimilation. One tablespoonful mixed with a gallon of water makes a gallon of fertilizer suitable for any kind of plant life. The business has been very successful thus far and, in Mr. Bourisk's opinion, continues to have tremendous potentialities. Another company has

taken up the idea, but Hy-trous has a special formula containing more than twenty ingredients—"trace elements"—vitamins to strengthen plant growth and to help destroy plant diseases. The sale of the product has become nationwide.

In 1946, Mr. Bourisk became president of the Maine State Fair Association and, during the past three years, the Maine State Fair has made rapid progress each year, becoming bigger and greater in all respects. The Maine State Fair Grounds, where the fair is located, has approximately fifty acres with an excess of fifty buildings located on it. Under Mr. Bourisk's leadership, many improvements have been made during the past three years and premiums offered by the Maine State Fair have exceeded ten thousand dollars, ranking on a par with that expended by any other fair in the state of Maine. The stables at the Maine State Fair Grounds, as well as the cattle barns have been greatly improved in order that better accommodations might be had by the owners of horses and cattle. The grandstand seating six thousand people has been remodeled in many ways and new boxes have been added as well as many improvements made in front of this structure.

In 1946, the attendance at the Maine State Fair was less than 40,000 people, while, in 1947, it increased to 120,000, and, in 1948, to 135,000, and reached its best year in 1949, with 140,000 people attending.

The half-mile oval at the Maine State Fair Grounds is one of the best tracks in New England and some of the fastest horses in the country have showed their speed on this track. The Maine State Fair, in general, has proven to be the meeting ground for the people of the



state of Maine and Mr. Bourisk's aim is to continually improve this property as well as the fair with the hope that in the not too distant future the Maine State Fair will be ranked among the best in New England.

Mr. Bourisk is a member of the Syrian-American Federation; the Masonic fraternity, including Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Lewiston; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lewiston Lodge; and the Maine Fairs Association. He serves on the Vestry of the Episcopal Church of Lewiston.

In 1929, in Berlin, New Hampshire, Mr. Bourisk married Nellie Haddad, the daughter of George and Takla Haddad. They are parents of a son, John J. Bourisk, Jr., who now is a student at Babson School of Finance, Wellesley, Massachusetts. The family resides at 67 Campus Avenue, Lewiston.

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#### **CARLISLE, George Thomas**

George Thomas Carlisle has long been actively identified with the utilization of the natural resources of Maine. As a consultant and in practice he is a forester of national note, and over a long period he has been the president of the Prentiss and Carlisle Company, Inc., of Bangor, foresters and experts in timber.

Born at Edgecomb, Maine, on December 8, 1886, George Thomas Carlisle is the son of George Thomas and Abigail (Sherman) Carlisle of Edgecomb. After preparing for higher education in Lincoln Academy, class of 1905, he entered the University of Maine, from which he was graduated in 1909, a Bachelor of Science. From youth interested in timber, he went from the university into forestry as a profession, and was a consultant in his

specialty from 1909 to 1914, with offices in Boston. Since 1915 he has practiced his profession out of Bangor, and, as has been indicated, has attained a reputation that is of national scope. His work has been enlarged since 1924 by the organization of Prentiss and Carlisle Company, Inc., of which he is president. Not only is Mr. Carlisle thoroughly acquainted with timber and lumbering from northeast New England to the Pacific northwest and "all points north and south," but he is also familiar with their history as they extended from early Canada, down into Maine. He knows the trends of lumbering across the continent for everything from use as mill products to the manufacture of wood pulp and paper.

Along business lines, Mr. Carlisle is a director of the Piscataquis Iron Works, and is agent for the S. and J. Adams Estate, and is a trustee for the James W. Cassidy Estate. He serves on the board of directors of the Lincoln Trust Company, of the Eastern Trust and Banking Company, and is vice president of Husson College. Professional affiliations include those with the Society of American Foresters, the Northeastern Forest Research Council, and he is a member of the alumni association of the University of Maine, the Bangor Chamber of Commerce, and the Tarratine Club. He worships in the Catholic faith, and is a Republican in politics.

On July 2, 1912, at Bangor, Maine, George Thomas Carlisle married Maude M. Davis of Veazie, daughter of Peter and Mary Davis. Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle are the parents of the following children: 1. George Davis, born at Bangor, June 25, 1913, a graduate of Bangor High School, and the University of Maine, with a degree of Bachelor of Science, class of 1935. Currently he is associated with

the Prentiss and Carlisle Company, Inc., is a director of the Millinocket Trust Company, and chairman of the Bangor City Council. He married Mary Elizabeth Mason of Watertown, Massachusetts, and they have two children: David and Mary Elizabeth. 2. Norman Davis, born at Bangor, April 11, 1915; educated in the Bangor High School and the University of Maine, with the degree of Bachelor of Science, class of 1937. During World War II, he served in the United States Army with the rank of lieutenant colonel. Since his honorable discharge he has been connected with the insurance business at 77 Central Street, Bangor. He married Pauline Campbell of Bangor, and they have a son: Norman Davis, Jr. 3. John Carlisle, born at Bangor, June 19, 1917, a graduate of John Bapst High School; the University of Maine, with the degree of Bachelor of Science, class of 1939; and the Harvard School of Business Administration. During World War II, he was a captain in the Quartermaster Corps, United States Army; now associated with the Webber Oil Company, at Bangor. 4. Robert, born at Bangor, February 23, 1919; a graduate of John Bapst High School, and the University of Maine, class of 1941, with a Bachelor of Science degree. During World War II, he served as security officer in flights over the "Hump," in India, with the rank of lieutenant colonel, United States Air Force. Currently he is associated with the Murray Machinery Corporation, at Ellsworth. He married Geraldine Williams, of Brewer, and they have two children. 5. Mary Sherman, born at Bangor, October 10, 1920; a graduate of Bangor High School, Stoneleigh College, and the University of Maine. She married William Rogers Hilton of Bangor, and they have one daughter: Mary Jane, born November 17,

1945. Mr. Hilton is associated with E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company of Delaware, at Newark, New Jersey. 6. Ruth Eleanor, born at Bangor, October 1, 1922; a graduate of Bangor High School; Regis College, Weston, Massachusetts; and Katharine Gibbs School of Boston. She married Randolph B. Roberts of New Orleans, Louisiana, and they reside in Plantsville, Connecticut. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts have a daughter: Ruth E. 7. Margaret Elaine, born at Bangor, October 12, 1924; a graduate of Bangor High School and Trinity College, Washington, D. C.; she married Garrett D. Speirs, Jr., August 31, 1946, and they have a son: Garrett, 3rd who was born July 1, 1947. Mr. Speirs is associated with the Bacon and Robinson Company, Inc. 8. Charles Frederick, born at Bangor, July 21, 1927; a graduate of John Bapst High School, and a graduate of the University of Maine, class of 1950. During World War II he served in the United States Navy, stationed at various operations in the Midwest.

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#### HILL, William Barlow

With considerable experience in engineering, a number of years' connection with the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad, William Barlow Hill has assumed the responsible position of that railway's vice president-traffic, with offices in Bangor. He has exerted a wide influence in the affairs of his locality; has served as member of the Bangor city council, and president of its chamber of commerce, was at one time member of the state of Maine Development Board, and has held the office of state vice president of the New England St. Lawrence Project Conference since 1945. In each organization of which Mr. Hill has become a member,



his qualities of leadership have been apparent, and he has achieved official status in most of them. He has earned recognition among his fellow townsmen as a dependable worker for the welfare of his business and his city.

Mr. Hill was born in Redding, Connecticut, August 1, 1890, a son of William Barlow and Alice (Sanford) Hill. His father, a graduate of Yale University in the class of 1886, became a civil engineer by profession, and died in 1898.

His wife, the former Alice Amanda Sanford, was born in Redding Center, Connecticut, November 28, 1858, married William Barlow Hill on May 27, 1889, and is now living with her youngest son, Bradley, at Auburndale, Massachusetts. She was one of seven children of Lemuel Sanford of Redding Center; granddaughter of Lemuel Sanford, prominent in the affairs of that place, and eighth in line of descent from Thomas Sanford, a native of Essex County, England, who migrated to this country prior to 1634, and probably in 1632, and who died in 1681 in Milford, Connecticut. His son, Ezekiel, forebear of Alice Amanda (Sanford) Hill, settled in Fairfield, Connecticut, and for several generations thereafter his descendants were prominent in the early history of Redding. Mrs. Hill's grandfather, Lemuel Sanford, was a deacon in the Congregational Church, and a member of the legislature from 1807 to 1814; and her father, who was born in Redding Center, September 18, 1816, followed closely in the footsteps of his father and grandfather. He became in his early manhood deeply interested in the affairs of his native town. Under the personal instruction of his uncle, Rev. Jonathan Bartlett, Lemuel Sanford acquired a fine classical education, and early in life developed a taste and talent for legal studies, which con-

tinued all through his life. During the time his father was probate judge, he filled the office of probate clerk, and on the retirement of his father was elected to succeed him. With the exception of one year, he continued to hold this office until the year of his retirement. In 1847 Lemuel Sanford represented the eleventh senatorial district of the state of Connecticut in the state senate, being at that time the youngest member of that body. He married, January 13, 1847, Abby Maria Hill, daughter of Bradley and Betsey Hill, and he died January 25, 1896. Of his seven children, Alice Amanda, mother of William Barlow Hill, was fifth in order of birth.

William Barlow is the eldest of the three sons of William Barlow and Alice Amanda (Sanford) Hill; his younger brothers being Harold Sanford, born April 7, 1894, and Bradley Lyon, born October 2, 1895. William Barlow Hill received his secondary education at the high school in Gorham, Maine, which he attended for three years; and at Yarmouth Academy, where he took his final year's work. Matriculating at the University of Maine, he graduated from that university with the class of 1915, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Science in Forest Engineering. His first business connection was in a line of endeavor related to this educational preparation; for he became associated with the Great Northern Paper Company in the capacity of forest engineer in 1915. From the next year until 1917 Mr. Hill was in the employ of the Eastern Manufacturing Company. During 1917 and 1918, while this country was engaged in World War I, he was a civilian inspector of airplane production for the United States Army Signal Corps. He was forest engineer for the Eastern Manufacturing Company during



1918-1920; and occupied the same position with the American Thread Company in Milo, Maine, from 1921 to 1924. The next year, 1925, Mr. Hill associated himself with the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad, with which he has remained ever since. His first capacity was that of industrial agent, which he filled from 1925 to 1929. He was assistant general freight agent, 1929-1930; general freight agent, 1931-1945; and freight traffic manager from 1945 to April 18, 1950, when he was appointed vice president-traffic.

Mr. Hill has shown the same qualities of leadership in his community which his forebears demonstrated in their Connecticut home city. He was a member of the Maine Development Board in 1929. Taking a vital interest in the activities of the Boy Scouts of America, he was vice president of the Katahdin Area Council for three years: 1933, 1934 and 1946. For two years, 1946 and 1947, Mr. Hill was president of the Bangor Chamber of Commerce. Since 1945 he has been state vice president of the New England St. Lawrence Waterways Project Conference. He is a Republican in his politics, and served from 1943 to 1945 as a member of the Bangor City Council.

Among his professional memberships, Mr. Hill numbers the Traffic Club of New England and the New England Railroad Club. He is also a member of the Maine Mineralogical and Geological Society. Locally, he belongs to the Tar-ratine Club; is a former member and past president of the Bangor City Club; and was president of the Rotary Club of Bangor from July, 1948 to July, 1949. Mr. Hill is a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity, which he joined at the University of Maine; and he holds the Thirty-second degree in the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and is a member of

the Order of the Eastern Star. His religious affiliation is with All Souls Congregational Church, of which his family are also members. Mr. Hill was trustee of this body during 1939, 1940, and 1941; and was made moderator in 1941.

At Grand Rapids, Michigan, on October 12, 1918, William Barlow Hill married Louise Parker of Gorham, Maine, a graduate of Gorham Teachers College. Mrs. Hill is a daughter of Horace Greeley and May Frances (Elwell) Parker. Mr. and Mrs. Hill became the parents of three children: 1. Barbara Louise, born July 26, 1921, a graduate of Bangor High School and Simmons College in Boston, Massachusetts. She married Louis D. Fykse, a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology with the degree of Mechanical Engineer, who entered the United States Army Air Corps in 1941 and attained the rank of major. He was stationed during the war at various United States air bases. Since his discharge, Mr. Fykse has become associated with the Standard Tool Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, as vice president. Mr. and Mrs. Fykse are the parents of two children: i. Karen Parker. ii. Lewis Dean, Jr. 2. Dorothy Parker, born November 4, 1923, and educated at Bangor High School and Wheelock College. She is married to Richard N. Boland, a veteran of World War II who served in the United States Navy with the rank of lieutenant, junior grade. Mr. Boland is a graduate of Cornell University, and is now associated with the Procter and Gamble Company, Boston, Massachusetts. They are the parents of one child, Sharon Hill. 3. William B., Jr., born March 15, 1930. After graduation from Bangor High School, he entered the University of Maine, where he is a member of the class of 1952, pursuing premedical studies.

**BUBAR, Earl Hammond**

Engaged in the practice of chiropractics in Bangor, Earl Hammond Bubar is one of the oldest practitioners of this science in Maine, having opened his office at Bangor in 1919.

Dr. Bubar was born July 14, 1888, in Blaine, son of Luther and Eliza Ann (Noble) Bubar. Public schools of his birthplace provided Earl H. Bubar's early formal education, and he later attended Doe Business College. For his professional work he entered the National College of Chiropractics, where he was graduated in 1917. Subsequently he had postgraduate work at the Carver Chiropractic Institute in New York, and also at the National College of Chiropractics, and the Lincoln College of Chiropractics. Starting his practice in Bangor in 1919, he has continued his work in this profession down to the time of writing.

In addition to his private practice, Dr. Bubar is a past state director of the National Chiropractic Association. He is a past president of the Maine State Chiropractic Board of Registration and Examination, in which he has had fifteen years of service as a director. Entirely aside from his professional interests, Dr. Bubar has concerned himself extensively with civic affairs in Bangor and this state.

He is a Republican in his political views, and belongs to the Kiwanis Club, The Forty and Eight, the Tarratine Club, the American Legion, and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. In the Masonic order he holds the Thirty-second degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and is affiliated with the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. During World War I, he was a member of the Army Infantry forces, stationed with the Student Army Train-

ing Corps of the University of Maine. He is a member of the Baptist Church.

Earl Hammond Bubar is the father of one child, Dallas Mae Bubar, who was born February 14, 1922, and who studied at Bangor High School and Boston University. She married John Edward, a graduate of Boston University, and they are the parents of three children: 1. Frederick Earl. 2. Catharine Louise. 3. William John Edward. Dr. Bubar married (second) on February 12, 1949, in Augusta, Margaret P. Carr of Bangor, and they now reside in Hampden.

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**BENOIT, Henri Arthur**

Possessing a talent for business, in addition to foresight and judgment, Henri Arthur Benoit has engaged in commercial activities since youth. Following in the footsteps of his father, he has made the name A. H. Benoit and Company outstanding in a region far wider than Portland, where the main store is located. Under his leadership, the growth of the enterprise has been great and comprehensive in scope, and he is recognized as one of the notable merchants of the state of Maine.

Mr. Benoit was born at Westbrook, on December 16, 1891, son of Arthur Henri and Anna (Brodeur) Benoit. After completing his education at the Malden High School, with the class of 1911, he secured employment with the firm of Leopold-Morse Company, Boston, to learn the clothing business. In 1915 his father, founder of A. H. Benoit and Company, purchased the Frank M. Low store in Portland, and placed his son at its head as manager. After two years, he assumed still larger responsibilities in the firm, and, upon the death of his father





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in 1924, became president of the company, a post he has since filled most capably. From a single street-floor trade he built it into a three-floor business with a thrift basement. A fourth is utilized by the bookkeeping and executive departments of the concern. In 1947, a complete remodeling of the store was completed, at which time the selling area was practically doubled. In addition to the Monument Street entrance, another was made on Free Street, by taking over the Greely Block. Established in 1889, the Benoit organization has grown from one small store in Westbrook, to its present size. In addition to the main store in Portland, branch stores are located at 574 Congress Street, Portland, Lewiston, Brunswick, Biddeford, and Westbrook. Under Mr. Benoit's leadership, Benoit stores have become the state's largest outfitters to men, women, and boys.

Aside from carrying on efficiently the responsibilities of the presidency of A. H. Benoit and Company, Mr. Benoit engages in rather few organizational activities. He is public-spirited, co-operative with movements and groups that undertake to further the prosperity of the places in which the stores are operated. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, and worships in the faith of the Roman Catholic Church. At one time serving with a Maine Regiment, the 56th Infantry, as adjutant of the First Battalion, he is a member of the American Legion.

On April 30, 1919, at Portland, Henri Arthur Benoit married Katherine Cecilia Walsh, daughter of James and Mary Ellen (O'Donnell) Walsh. Mr. and Mrs. Benoit are the parents of the following children: 1. Arthur H., born April 21, 1920. 2. Maria Ann, born June 14, 1921.

3. Katherine C., born January 4, 1924. 4. Patricia A., born March 16, 1925. 5. Louis J., born March 27, 1932.

### **WILLIAM A. FARNSWORTH ART MUSEUM**

The William A. Farnsworth Library and Art Museum represents one of the most generous and memorable gifts ever made by an individual to the people of Rockland and the Penobscot Bay region, and a lasting cornerstone of the cultural life of this section of the state. The building itself, begun in 1947 and completed and opened to a grateful public in August, 1948, is the physical realization of the dream of Lucy C. Farnsworth who, at her death in 1935, enshrined the memory of her father and brother in a \$1,300,000 bequest, for the building and equipping of a museum and library.

The donor of this magnificent gift wished to perpetuate her homestead as it was when she was alive, and to erect adjacent to it a museum, both buildings to be open to the public. Throughout the years following the bequest, the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company was quietly at work in the role of trustee of the estate, carrying out conscientiously, in every detail the provisions of the will. The years of World War II, with their accompanying shortages of all critical materials, deferred the task of building, but the assembling of the art collection was even then progressing steadily under the direction of Robert C. Bellows of Boston.

At last came the day when construction could be begun; and Memorial Day of 1947 saw the laying of the cornerstone. President Lowell, of the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company, delivered a commemorative address, which con-

tained a message of permanent interest relative to the museum. He said, in part:

We are here to lay the cornerstone of a memorial—a memorial to a father and brother by a woman who lived to the ripe age of ninety-seven years. Lucy Farnsworth left in her will a fund to perpetuate her homestead as it was when she was alive and to build an art museum and library next to her homestead as fitting memorial to her family . . . She died before the last war and we were unable to carry out her wishes during the years of that conflict. Now I am happy to say we are making definite progress.

Miss Farnsworth, to whom he referred, lived the life of a recluse. Known to only a few of her fellow townspeople except by name, she kept much to herself, lived simply, even frugally, and gave no intimation that a splendid gift might be expected by the community, when her will was read.

Throughout the ensuing decade, while the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company was carrying out its duties, the preparatory work of several men was apparent; outstanding were that of its president, Ralph Lowell, and the bank's trust officer, Ralph Ferguson. To them fell the responsibility of searching for and obtaining the best in material, equipment, and workmanship; and a tribute to their achievement is the present physical beauty of the museum, its priceless contents, and its adaptability to the needs of the Penobscot Bay region. Another factor well considered in the founding of the Farnsworth Museum was its future financial needs; and here Miss Farnsworth's business perspicacity reveals itself: the trust fund provides also that the income from a business block should go to the maintenance of the museum. This business block is now completed. It assures that the future income of the museum rests on a broad base, as free from

the dangers of economic cycles as it is possible to plan.

Still another name associated with the development of the museum project during the difficult decade of its conception is that of Elmer C. Davis. Mr. Davis represents the Farnsworth Estate as resident manager, on behalf of the trustees. Contractors for the building of the museum were the J. Slotnik Company, of Boston; Herman Crowell was engineer in charge, and Boyd Livesay as resident architect represented the designers.

Mr. Robert P. Bellows' part in collecting the museum pieces has been touched upon. Well-known to Rockland citizens for many years, Mr. Bellows was qualified for his responsibility through an understanding of the cultural needs of this area. He is head of the art commission of the city of Boston, trustee of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, and a member of the Architectural Advisory Committee in the reconstruction of Williamsburg, Virginia. The architects of the museum, Wadsworth, Boston and Tuttle, of Portland, found Mr. Bellows' help invaluable in an advisory capacity.

The work of construction completed, responsibility rests with Director James M. Brown, III, as head of the museum staff, to see that the Farnsworth Museum fulfills its purpose to the people. Mr. Brown comes to his task with the best of equipment and preparation. Brooklyn born, and reared in Summit, New Jersey, Mr. Brown is a graduate of Amherst College in the class of 1939. Headed for a career in the law, Mr. Brown had worked summers in New York law offices, and had been accepted for admittance at Harvard Law School when his choice of a career underwent a decisive change. He entered, instead, the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at Harvard, and



studied for two years at the Fogg Museum in preparation for his life work. Mr. Brown served in the United States Navy as a seaman during World War II, having a close escape from death when his ship the U.S.S. "Cythera" was torpedoed. After three years in German prison camps, he was liberated by the United States Third Army in its victorious sweep across Germany. Returning to civilian life, Mr. Brown took his Master's degree from Harvard, was appointed to assist in the preparation of an art catalog at Dumbarton Oaks, Washington, and later accepted the position of assistant director of the Boston Institute of Contemporary Art, which tenure continued until the Farnsworth Museum appointment.

The task of building, delayed by war shortages, was begun with the laying of the cornerstone on May 30, 1947; and it is of historical interest to note here the list of articles, representative of life in our times and particularly symbols of community life, which were enclosed in its copper box:

The Sea—ship bottle, lobster claw, cod jig, sardine tin.

The Nation—coins, 1946 stamps, 1946 almanac.

The City—chart of Rockland Harbor, plan of Rockland city government.

Miscellany—two-foot rule, Fahrenheit thermometer, compass, toy bomber plane.

The Shore—pine cone, shell, lime rock, oak leaf.

The State—map of Maine, geological survey, guide map.

The Press—The "Courier-Gazette," 1846-1946, sea foods number, 1946 latest issue on rag paper.

The Trust Company—Will of Lucy Farnsworth, list of trustees, financial statement, 1946, 1946 calendar.

The Museum—plans of building, list of possessions, 1946, label.

Above this cornerstone the building rose, its architecture of Greek Revival

conforming sympathetically with the outlines of the old home in which Lucy Farnsworth had lived. Its panelled rooms have a classic simplicity, giving a sense of spaciousness. Its library, an integral part of the museum, is New England Colonial, and extends the entire breadth of the building. Within is ample room for growth of both the art and book collections. That the museum looks to the future is so well expressed in an open letter by Mr. Brown, that we here quote it in full:

To the People of the Penobscot Region:

This coming Sunday, on August 15, the William A. Farnsworth Library and Art Museum will be formally dedicated and opened.

To the Trustee, the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company, the opening day will mark the culmination of more than ten years of planning, building and collecting; to the Museum staff it represents the initial step in the formulation of a program of cultural activities directed toward the particular interests of this region.

The Museum's projects will include not only exhibitions of paintings, drawings, sculpture and architecture but also concerts, lectures and demonstrations. The regional activities of the Museum will be directed toward the joint exhibition of work by artists of this area and of Maine craftsmen.

The Museum is equipped with a studio, workshop and auditorium. These are facilities in which meetings, classes and work in drawing and painting, arts and crafts, may be held. It is my hope that those interested in organizing such activities will call at the Museum in order that a definite program may be planned. The use of these facilities is without charge.

Although the Farnsworth Museum is privately endowed it is in every other sense a public institution. As such its value increases in direct proportion to the number of those members of the community who avail themselves of its services. It is our earnest wish that you will make use of the Museum to the fullest extent and it will then indeed become a "living" museum—a real cultural center.

What is the Farnsworth museum doing to realize its plan, of which the opening

of the museum marks but "the initial steps"? First, it works through the schools, thus acquainting the susceptible younger generation with the masterpieces of the past and present. Its close correlation with the program of the public schools opens the doors of this edifice to classes in the arts and dramatics, and its library is available for reference work. Said Robert B. Lunt, superintendent of schools of Rockland: "I cannot but be greatly impressed with the tremendous contribution to general education which this institution will make. . . . To my mind, it can become a great institution for preserving and exhibiting a unique culture, that of the Maine coast, and one which is unfortunately giving way to the demands of a rushing, materialistic social order."

This suggests a second invaluable contribution which the museum is making: that of futhering the cause of the artists of this region, and of encouraging their work by giving proper attention to their achievements. Examples of painting indigenous to this section of Maine were displayed at the opening exhibition: "East Harpswell, Maine," by a painter named Ropes, on whom more information is sought; "Sailing Ships in Harbor," by one of Maine's best-known painters, Winslow Homer; "In the White Mountains, Summer," by nineteenth-century painter George Inness; "Children Reading" by a contemporary Maine artist, Waldo Peirce; "Old Wrecks," painted by Robert P. Bellows, previously mentioned, who was associated with the museum as collector and who generously added this example of his own work; "Sardine Boat," by James Verrier. These and many others are representative of Maine; and many another of foreign com-

position is of subject-matter familiar to residents of this area.

Nor is it to be assumed that paintings are disproportionate in number to the other art forms. An exhibition of glassware was featured in the opening exhibit; photographic collections are present; and in the field of graphic arts, an exhibition clarified the process by which etchings and lithographs, woodcuts and engravings are produced. The lighter medium of caricature is accorded its place, and the museum has a noteworthy collection of prints and pencil studies.

To the people of the area it brings not only exhibits, but workshops where they too can seek expression for their creative ideas. An auditorium is available for lectures and concerts, and classes are being scheduled on the basis of popular demand. Exhibitions have been planned to present by means of one-man and group exhibitions the creative achievements of those who live and work in the state of Maine.

Recognition of this new museum is widespread and enthusiastic. The American Academy of Arts and Letters made it a gift of a painting; and museums of art throughout New England and the entire United States have welcomed this newcomer to their midst. It has also been admitted to membership in the American Association of Museums. Among individual accolades are the words of United States Senator Margaret Chase Smith:

Through the generosity of the late Lucy C. Farnsworth the state of Maine is most fortunate to have the William A. Farnsworth Art Museum. It is appropriate that the Museum and Library will emphasize maritime subjects since the sea has played such an important part in the formation of the cultural development of Maine.

It is even more appropriate that such a Library and Museum has its site in the city of



Rockland. No other place in Maine more typifies the best traditions of the maritime history of the state than does Rockland.

In appraising the Farnsworth Museum's place in the life of his state, Governor Horace Hildreth said: "In our complex civilization we have strayed too far, I think, from the natural expression of appreciation of the things that make life a rich experience and which was more common to earlier generations. We have tended to neglect the literary and artistic gifts with which nature endows mankind. . . . The cultural and social advantages of the new library and art center will, I am sure, become more evident as time goes on . . ."

He spoke for the people of his state in evaluating the bequest which Lucy Farnsworth made to her townspeople.

#### **VICKERS, Martyn Andrew, M.D.**

Carrying on a practice of medicine in Bangor, Dr. Martyn Andrew Vickers has particularly devoted his attention to allergy work.

Dr. Vickers was born October 18, 1906, at Brownville Junction, Maine, son of Florance A. and Margaret Elizabeth (Bagot) Vickers. His father was born in Blackville, New Brunswick, Canada, and died September 21, 1933. The mother was born in Manchester, England.

After completing his preliminary education, Martyn Andrew Vickers entered the Catholic University, where he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1929, then entered Georgetown University for his medical work, graduating as a Doctor of Medicine in 1933. There followed an internship at Eastern Maine General Hospital from July, 1933 to July, 1934, as well as further studies in the form of postgraduate work in allergy at Columbia University, New York City. Dr. Vickers

started his practice in Bangor, as an allergist, on July 21, 1934. Since that time he has been active in his profession in Bangor, serving as a leader in hospital and association work, doing everything in his power to make his professional talents most useful to the community.

Among his other activities, he is a consultant on the staff of Waldo County Hospital, a consultant in allergy to the Bangor State Hospital, a member of both the executive and co-ordinating committees of Eastern Maine General Hospital, chairman of the scientific committee, and district counsellor of the Maine Medical Association (his district work comprising Aroostook, Piscataquis, and Penobscot counties). He is also a consultant in allergy at the Veterans Administration in the state of Maine, and attending physician and head of the allergy service at Eastern Maine General Hospital. During World War II, he was examining physician of Selective Service Board No. 1, remaining consultant to the board until 1948. Dr. Vickers is a fellow of the American College of Allergists, a Fellow of the American Academy of Allergy, and affiliated with the American Medical Association, the Maine Medical Association and the Penobscot County Medical Society. He is chairman of the education committee, State Medical society; member of the Pollen Committee, American College of Allergy; and member of the Public Relations Committee, American Academy of Allergy. To his other activities he has added an interest in education, being a member of the Bangor School Committee, of which he was chairman in 1942 and 1943 and a trustee of Husson College. He belongs to the Tarratine Club, the Lions Club, the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the



Penobscot Valley Country Club (in which he is a member of the Board of Governors). He is a member of the Roman Catholic Church in his religious faith.

Dr. Martyn Andrew Vickers married July 3, 1934, in Bangor, Mary Hilda Finnegan, daughter of Edward H. and Katharine Finnegan. They became the parents of four children: 1. Ann Marie, born May 23, 1935. 2. Katharine Margaret, born July 23, 1936. 3. Mary Hilda, born January 7, 1938. 4. Martyn Andrew, Jr., born November 14, 1942.

#### **GARNER, William A.**

A veteran and prominent industrialist of the State of Maine, William A. Garner numbers among his outstanding achievements more than a half-century's association with the widely known and important Kezar Falls Woolen Company. He has served this long-established company in many capacities, long being its general manager, and currently is its treasurer, with his two sons carrying on the traditions and connection with the concern that began nearly seventy years ago. By his business endeavors he has contributed greatly to the prosperity of Kezar Falls, and by his hearty support of and leadership in community affairs has furthered markedly the welfare of its citizens.

William A. Garner is the son of Allen Garner, and the father of Ruth E., Allen F., and John W. Garner, all officials of the company. The fourth generation is becoming more and more identified with the enterprise. The annals of the Kezar Falls Woolen Company may well serve as a history of a family and an industry. Drawing liberally from an account published by the "Maine Motorist," the abbreviated story is as follows:

The Kezar Falls Woolen Company was founded nearly seventy years ago by

George W. Towle and John Devereux, both local men, and by Elijah Fox, of Haverhill, Massachusetts. They realized the manufacturing possibilities of the small town of Kezar Falls, and organized there the company named for that place. Stock in the company was closely held at first, and only a few shares were offered to local business men. Early in 1881, Allen Garner of Lewiston, father of William A. Garner, and grandfather of the present president and assistant treasurer of the company, was employed by the embryo company as agent, and production was actually started. Members of this family have been associated with the Kezar Falls Woolen Company ever since that time, in positions of executive responsibility. In its early days the mill was small, housing only twenty second-hand looms. It gave employment to about forty people. Mr. Garner continued his connection with the plant until the time of his death on March 24, 1925.

The "Maine Motorist" in evaluating the services rendered by the first Allen Garner, and the place the company holds in Maine's industries said:

From the time that Mr. Allen Garner was appointed agent and took charge of the mill, the business has shown a constant growth. The reputation earned for excellence of material used and workmanship employed has been largely responsible for the healthy growth of the business and for a steady demand for the product, sufficient to keep the plant in full operation during periods of depression as well as good times.

Building material and machine equipment do not, alone, make a mill. Money can buy these and disinterested labor put them together, and you have a plant but not a real one. The vital fact that determines its efficiency and the honesty and quality of the products is absent. This absent something is the operating force. This cannot be bought or sold. It must be built up by years of training and growth. It must be based on the fundamental principles of honesty and fair treatment.



*William A. Garner.*





Mr. Allen Garner built his own ideals and high conceptions of service into the organization, and it is there to a marked degree today. All who are employed are equally interested in the product of 'their' mill. Many of them own their homes and are representative citizens in a clean, prosperous town.

This tribute might well be paid to William A. Garner. In 1905 the company was re-organized, and took its present name of Kezar Falls Woolen Company. It increased its capital stock, continued to expand its business, and from time to time, as necessitated by expansion of business volume, erected new plants and buildings. The present buildings which house the Kezar Falls Woolen Company are up-to-date in every detail. Many employees have been associated with the mill's operations from early years. "It is not uncommon," stated the "Maine Motorist," "to find the second, third, and even fourth generations laboring happily together. Working conditions are ideal in every respect. The rooms are well ventilated and flooded with daylight and sunshine." The company engages primarily in the production of men's and women's suitings and coatings. These fabrics are made from the finest materials. The entire output of the mill is sold principally through the firm of C. M. DeLand and Frederick Almy and Company, of New York City, selling and distributing agents.

The present generations of the Garners, and the rest of the management of the Kezar Falls Woolen Company, realize the meaning of the present reputation of the firm, and know that it has been earned through nearly seventy years of conscientious and skilled production.

William A. Garner was born at Lewiston, June 5, 1876, son of Allen and Mary E. (Jordan) Garner. He was educated in

public schools, Parsonsfield Seminary, and technical schools in Philadelphia. His chief business interest throughout his career has been the manufacture of woolen goods, and in following this occupation he rose to positions such as former general manager and the present treasurer of one of the important woolen mills in the state. He continues active in business and community life. He holds the office of treasurer of the Kezar Falls Woolen Company, as he has for many years. He is also president of the Oxford Land and Lumber Company of Kezar Falls, and is president of the Kezar Falls National Bank. A senior member among the business leaders of Kezar Falls, his counsel is much sought and highly regarded in the conduct of its commercial affairs. He is treasurer of the Kezar Falls Water Company, also treasurer of the Cornish and Kezar Falls Light and Power Company.

Fraternally, Mr. Garner is affiliated with Drummond Lodge No. 118, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; and with the Knights of Pythias. His religious affiliations are with the Methodist Episcopal Church, which he serves on the Official Board.

William A. Garner married in 1901, Bertha M. Ridlon of Porter, the daughter of William and Ruth (Taylor) Ridlon. Mr. and Mrs. Garner are the parents of three children: 1. Ruth E., who was graduated from Bates College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and is also a graduate of Katharine Gibbs School. She is secretary of the Kezar Falls Woolen Company. 2. Allen F., of whom further. 3. John W., of whom further.

Educated in the public schools of his native place, Allen F. Garner attended Porter High School, and Lowell Textile Institute, where he was a member of the

class of 1930. Since his graduation he has been associated with the Kezar Falls Woolen Company, and became one of its officers in 1935. Currently he holds the joint office of president and general manager.

Allen F. Garner is also a director of the Kezar Falls National Bank. He is chairman of the board of the Parsonsfield-Kezar Falls Village Corporation, president of the Kezar Falls Water Company, and also president of the Cornish and Kezar Falls Light and Power Company. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Drummond Lodge No. 118, Parsonsfield. He is past president of the Kezar Falls Kiwanis Club, and is a communicant of the Methodist Church.

On October 3, 1931, at Cornish, Allen F. Garner married Eleanor Syphers, daughter of Dr. Leroy and Charlotte (Bolton) Syphers. Mrs. Garner is a graduate of Gorham Teachers College, and a member of the school board of the Town of Parsonsfield. Mr. and Mrs. Garner are the parents of two children: i. William A., 2nd., born February 17, 1933. He attends Porter High School at Kezar Falls, and has engaged in work at the Kezar Falls Woolen Company mills during his vacations. ii. Ruth Elizabeth, born October 12, 1935, a student.

John W. Garner was born May 10, 1912, and is a graduate of Porter High School, and of Lowell Textile Institute. Later he attended Northeastern Business College, in Portland. Associated with the Kezar Falls Woolen Company since 1935, John W. Garner is assistant manager as well as assistant treasurer of the company, and he is also its chief chemist. During World War II, he compiled an excellent record of service with the United States Navy.

He is fraternally affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and is past president and a charter member of the Kezar Kiwanis Club. A director of the Kezar Falls Water Company, he is also a director of the Cornish and Kezar Falls Light and Power Company.

John W. Garner married Pauline Marston, daughter of Dr. Paul and Sylvia Marston, and they are the parents of two daughters: i. Suzanne, born February 2, 1947. ii. Marianne, born April 9, 1949.

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#### **CUNNINGHAM, Theodore William**

As a general contractor in Bangor, Theodore William Cunningham operates the firm of T. W. Cunningham, Inc., which has built some of the outstanding business and residential structures in the city. Its buildings at Limestone Air Base have helped make this military establishment one of the largest bomber bases on the eastern seaboard.

Of Scottish ancestry, Mr. Cunningham was born September 3, 1904, at Lynn, Massachusetts, son of Daniel and Susan F. (Goad) Cunningham. His father established his own construction business in 1910 in Boston, the Daniel Cunningham Construction Company. Theodore William Cunningham attended public school at Lynn, Massachusetts, then entered the Berkshire Preparatory School, and was graduated from Chauncey Hall in 1931. Until 1939 he was associated with his father in the Daniel Cunningham Construction Company in Boston. In that year he started his own organization, known as T. W. Cunningham, Inc., which was first engaged in business in Boston.

In 1940 he established it in Bangor with headquarters at 38 Columbia Street, where he now employs eight hundred



people. The Bangor firm started operations in June, 1941. Some of the outstanding structures erected by the Cunningham organization are: the Howard Johnson restaurant and neighborhood service stations on the Maine Turnpike; a power plant at Brewer; a boiler plant at Lincoln for the Eastern Corporation of Brewer; schools—two at Fort Fairfield, two at Brewer, one at Easton, one at Bangor, and one at Old Town; the recreation building at Mars Hill; gymnasium and auditorium for Ricker Junior College at Houlton; the Northern National Bank building at Presque Isle; three science buildings at the University of Maine; a theater at Mars Hill; a bank building at Greenville; a rayon plant at Machias; the Dryden Terrace Apartments for the Prudential Life Insurance Company at Orono. For the Limestone Air Base the company has built a hangar of reinforced concrete for the army, as well as barracks buildings, a control tower, and other structures.

Active in public affairs, Mr. Cunningham is a Republican and a member of numerous civic organizations. He belongs to the Rotary Club, the Maine State Publicity Bureau, and Tarratine Club, the Penobscot Valley Country Club, the Bangor Chamber of Commerce, the Maine State Chamber of Commerce, the United States Chamber of Commerce, and the Newcomen Society of England. He is a past director of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Community Chest, and is at present on the board of governors of the Penobscot Valley Country Club. In the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons he holds the Thirty-second degree of Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite and is affiliated with the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Politically he is a Republican;

he is a member of the Church of Christ, Scientist.

Theodore William Cunningham married, June 15, 1927, at Brockton, Massachusetts, Helene I. Slack, of that place, daughter of Fred B. and Mary Slack. They became the parents of a daughter, Judith Cunningham, who studied at the Walnut Hill School, Natick, Massachusetts; then entered the class of 1951 at Bennington College.

#### **BIRD, Frederic Henry**

As vice president and director of the Medomak Canning Company of Rockland, Frederic Henry Bird has taken an important part in the business life of this region of Maine. At the same time he has rendered valuable public service to the state, now being a Republican member of the lower house legislature and a member of its all-important Appropriations Committee.

Mr. Bird was born September 1, 1907, in Rockland, son of Henry B. and Edith C. (Simonton) Bird. The father was the founder of the Medomak Canning Company, of which he is still president. The Bird family came originally from England to this country.

Rockland schools provided Frederic Henry Bird's early education through the high school grades. After attending Phillips Exeter Academy, he entered Bowdoin College, where he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1930. Beginning his business career with S. K. Ames, Inc., in Boston, he was associated with that organization until 1938 and there acquired a thorough knowledge of dairy products and the retail foods business. In 1938 he came to the Medomak Canning Company, which his father had established in Rockland, with factories at Waldboro and New Sharon. The Medo-



mak Canning Company is engaged in the processing and canning of fruits, vegetables, and fish, the annual output totaling 250,000 cases of twenty-four or forty-eight cans each. The father of Mr. Bird first became engaged in this business in 1917, founding the present company in that year. Frederic Henry Bird is now associated in this business with his father, Henry B. Bird and his brother, Theodore S. Bird. Mr. Bird's public career has included service to the Rockland community and the state of Maine, as well as memberships in different civic bodies. Between 1942 and 1946 he was a member of the Rockland School Board. In 1945 he began his membership in the House of Representatives of the Maine State Legislature, continuing in this body down to the time of writing. In addition to his service on the Appropriations Committee, Mr. Bird is also a member of the Temperance Committee. He is a member of the Rotary Club of Rockland and of Aurora Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and belongs to the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, which he joined in his student days. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

Frederic Henry Bird married, October 10, 1931, at Arlington, Massachusetts, Dorothy L. Jones, of that place, daughter of James H. and Effie M. Jones. They became the parents of three children: 1. David Henry, born May 31, 1933. 2. John Adams, born April 3, 1937. 3. Carolyn Edith, born July 18, 1941.

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#### **SLEEPER, Cleveland, Jr.**

Carrying on an extensive coal, fuel oil, and ice business in Rockland, Cleveland Sleeper, Jr., is proprietor of the Rockland Fuel Company of this place. He has added extensive public service to his business activities, and at the time of

writing is a member of Maine State Senate and Commissioner of the North Atlantic State Marine Fisheries.

Mr. Sleeper was born April 16, 1905, at Brighton, Massachusetts, son of Cleveland and Eva (Goodenough) Sleeper. The family was of English origin, and early representatives of the line established themselves in New England. The father, Cleveland Sleeper, who died in April, 1937, was for years a member of the firm of Childs and Sleeper Company, Faneuil Hall, Boston, Massachusetts.

Cleveland Sleeper, Jr., attended grade school in Brighton, Massachusetts, and in 1921 was graduated from Rockland High School. In 1923 he completed his work at Hebron Academy, and in 1928 he received the Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of New Hampshire. From that year until 1936 he was associated with his father in the finance business. At the conclusion of that eight-year period he purchased the Rockland Coal Company, which had been founded late in the nineteenth century by the firm Thorndike and Hicks. Immediately he changed the name of Rockland Coal Company to the Rockland Fuel Company, largely in view of the fact that he was engaged in the fuel oil and the coal business. The same company also handles ice.

The career of Mr. Sleeper has been a significant one. At an early period he became a member of the Republican party, winning his first election to the lower house of the Maine State Legislature in 1934. Taking his seat in that body in 1935, he was repeatedly re-elected, serving seven terms in all, each for a length of two years. He was then elected to the State Senate for 1949 and 1950. In the Senate he has already performed important committee assignments as chair-





*Herbert L. Emery*



man of the Sea and Shore Fisheries Committee. He is also, as indicated above, Commissioner of the North Atlantic State Marine Fisheries, which is a highly important post in this region of New England. Between 1943 and 1945 Mr. Sleeper was chairman of the Rockland Republican City Committee.

His civic work includes activity in the Rotary Club and the American Legion. During World War II, he was stationed at Rockland with the Navy Coast Guard, in which he enlisted as a lieutenant, junior grade, serving until honorably discharged as a senior lieutenant in October, 1946. Fraternally he is connected with the Sigma Alpha Epsilon, the Grange, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. In the Masonic order he holds the Thirty-second degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and is an initiate in Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Congregational Church.

Cleveland Sleeper, Jr., married, March 31, 1930, at Rockland, Maine, Dorris Bradlee, of Norway, Maine, daughter of Leonard and Carrie Bradlee. Her father died in 1916. Mr. and Mrs. Sleeper became the parents of the following children: 1. Harry Rust, born December 11, 1930. 2. Dana Bradford, born May 1, 1932. 3. Edward Bradlee, born November 15, 1936. 4. Harriet, born January 14, 1942. 5. Martha, born March 24, 1945.

#### **EMERY, Herbert Lincoln**

One of the most honored citizens of Waterville, Herbert Lincoln Emery occupied a position of major importance in the community and the state of Maine. He engaged in business successfully; promoted projects that were of great value

to the city and its people; and by his many fine traits of character endeared himself to the host of those who knew him long and well.

The surname Emery dates back to the twelfth century in France, and Gilbert D'Amery of Tours was a follower of William the Conqueror to England. To the Massachusetts Bay Colony, in 1635, came one Anthony Emery, carpenter, son of John of Romsey, Hants, England, in 1600. After locating at Newbury, Massachusetts, he removed to Dover, New Hampshire, in 1644, and afterwards to Kittery, Maine. He was a resident of Portsmouth in 1662. Many descendants became prominent in New England and American affairs. According to the family records, Herbert Lincoln Emery was one of the fifth generation from his Romsey forefathers. He was born at Fairfield, on March 16, 1861, the son of Thomas T. and Julia M. (Poore) Emery. His father, a hydraulic engineer, came to Waterville to build the first dam for the Lockwood Company and brought his family with him when Herbert Lincoln Emery was six years old.

Mr. Emery was educated in local schools for the most part. His first employment was with his father, and the summer he was nineteen he was given entire charge of building the Marston Bridge over the Messalonskee River, which was replaced by a concrete structure in 1932. He continued in this type of work, in association with the Lockwood Company, for three years, when he went to Farmington and opened a small general store. The fire that swept the town of Farmington destroyed his business, but he built another store and continued to operate it for two years. In 1893, he returned to Waterville and pur-

chased the dry goods business of L. J. Cote, which he carried on under the name of H. L. Emery for ten years. In 1903, Mr. Emery joined forces with E. C. Wardwell, who operated an adjoining dry goods firm, and the Wardwell-Emery Company functioned prosperously until 1911, when the business was burned out and the partnership dissolved.

In 1911-12, Herbert L. Emery erected the new block which now bears his name, and took into his business the members of the F. H. Brown Company, makers of woolen garments, forming the Emery-Brown Company. The corporation has continued to the present and has become one of the largest department stores in this section of Maine, much of its progress and growth due to the personality, progressive attitudes, and untiring zeal of Mr. Emery, who was, until his death in 1933, the senior member.

To other phases of community life, Mr. Emery devoted much attention and hearty co-operation. He was a familiar figure in the Waterville Chamber of Commerce; was a charter member of the Rotary Club; and had served on the board of advisers of the Waterville Savings Bank. He was deeply interested in all humanitarian causes, especially work for the tubercular. His work with the Waterville Anti-Tuberculosis Society, now the Central Maine Tuberculosis Association, was largely responsible for the development of the Fairfield Sanatorium. It was he who persuaded Mrs. Chase to contribute the money for the Chase Memorial Building, the first building, and he served as the first president. When the need for new buildings, more money, and better facilities became urgent, his zealous efforts before the legislature resulted in the state taking over the Fairfield Sanatorium,

which is now one of the three large state-owned institutions devoted to the care of tubercular patients. Mr. Emery devoted much time and effort to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the work of the Rotary Club for crippled and underprivileged children; successfully conducted, in 1923, a \$50,000 campaign for the Sunset Home, for aged women; was unusually active in the Young Men's Christian Association, both local and state, being an official of the Waterville group and state treasurer of the Maine association; and served as a director of the Children's Home Society of Augusta, the Children's Hospital of Portland, and as a member of the advisory board of the Sisters Hospital in Waterville. He hated sham, was outspoken, and particularly a champion of temperance. During the first World War, he was constantly to the fore in the Liberty Loan drives, and those undertaken to raise funds for the Red Cross and other humanitarian agencies of that period. The cause of education won his hearty support, notably Colby College. Fraternally he was affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and by right of ancestry belonged to the Sons of the American Revolution. He worshipped in the faith of the Baptist Church, in which he held various offices.

Herbert Lincoln Emery married (first), December 5, 1883, Sadie L. Davies, who died in 1916. Mr. Emery married (second), in 1917, Mrs. Lillian M. Fuller, who survives her husband.

The death of Herbert Lincoln Emery occurred on June 18, 1933, after an illness, induced in part by his efforts on behalf of raising \$100,000 for a new site for Colby College. Deprived of the formal education he wished in early years, he was not only a broadly educated man but



a generous lover of the Waterville institution of learning. Many tributes were paid his achievements and character, one of which from the "Waterville Sentinel" read:

Herbert Lincoln Emery was loved for his sterling qualities, excellent judgment, tolerance, patient understanding, readiness to help all in need of help—and he will be greatly missed in all walks of life.

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#### **HATCH, Lloyd Harvey, Jr.**

Engaged in a general insurance business in Dexter, Lloyd Harvey Hatch, Jr., handles a wide range of insurance in this region of Maine where he represents some of the outstanding companies. He is also a real estate broker.

Mr. Hatch was born December 20, 1917, in Dexter, son of Lloyd Harvey Hatch, Sr., and Winifred (Hill) Hatch. His father was graduated from Bowdoin College in 1921, and subsequently taught at Cornell University and Bowdoin College. In 1926 he founded Wassookeag School-Camp in Dexter, and, in 1948, founded Hatch Preparatory School. Mr. Hatch is a veteran of World War I, in which he served in the Navy.

His son, Lloyd Harvey Hatch, Jr., entered Wassookeag School, where he was a member of the class of 1935, and then attended Bowdoin College, a member of the class of 1940. Mr. Hatch became associated with the Judkins Insurance Agency in Dexter in 1940. In 1945 he opened his own business, after receiving his honorable discharge from the Army. In addition to his other activities, Mr. Hatch has opened his own business at 365 Maine Street, Dexter, to engage in a general insurance business on his own account. The Dexter firm continues down to the time of writing, conducting a general insurance business. Mr. Hatch represents such companies as the Phoenix

Insurance Company, the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, the American Alliance, the Boston Insurance Company, the Provident Life Insurance Company, and others.

In addition to his work in insurance and real estate, Mr. Hatch is actively interested in political and civic affairs. He is a staunch Democrat and a member of the Dexter Democratic Committee. He is president of the Dexter Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Chi Psi fraternity, and the Universalist Church. Enlisting in December, 1941, for service in World War II, Mr. Hatch was a member of the Army Air Corps, the Coast Artillery, and the Infantry. With the Caribbean Defense Command, Mr. Hatch served in the Sixty-sixth Coast Artillery Regiment. He was honorably discharged in December, 1944.

Lloyd Harvey Hatch, Jr., married, in March, 1946, at Portland, Maine, Shirley A. Ellms, daughter of Edward and Vivienne Ellms, of New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Hatch became the parents of three children: 1. Prudence Frame, born in February, 1947. 2. Elizabeth Randall, born in October, 1948. 3. Sarah Weymouth, born in October, 1949.

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#### **CROSBY, Clarence Henry**

A widely-known Maine lawyer, Clarence Henry Crosby was born May 28, 1894, in Dexter, Maine, son of J. Willis and Fannie L. (Dearth) Crosby. His father and grandfather before him were lawyers.

The schools of Dexter provided Mr. Crosby's early education. Graduating from Dexter High School in 1913, he then entered Bowdoin College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1917. He studied law at Harvard University Law School, where he was gradu-



ated as a Bachelor of Laws in 1925. Joining his father in the practice of the profession, Mr. Crosby became a member of the law firm of Crosby and Crosby in 1925, the year of his admittance to the bar. Mr. Crosby is a member of the Penobscot County Bar Association, the Maine Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. In addition to his general practice, he has a number of business interests in this part of Maine, being a director of the Fay & Scott Company and of The Fayscott Corporation. He is also a director of The Merrill Trust Company, and treasurer of the Plummer Memorial Hospital and the Dexter Public Health Association, Inc.

In his political views Mr. Crosby is a staunch Republican. During World War I, he served in the navy with the rank of lieutenant junior grade. He is a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon and the Phi Beta Kappa fraternities. He has been a member of the American Legion from an early period, and is still active in its affairs. He is also a member of the Congregational Church.

Mr. Crosby married, December 11, 1917, at Dexter, Maine, Helen I. Foss, of Dexter, daughter of Charles H. and Isabella M. Foss. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Isabella, who graduated from Dexter High School and the University of Maine and is now the wife of Wayne F. Shipman, a teacher at Laconia, New Hampshire. 2. Charles Josiah, a graduate of Bowdoin College. 3. Priscilla Foss, a graduate of Syracuse University. 4. David, a graduate of Nichols Junior College.

#### **GULESIAN, Albert Joseph, D.O.**

Carrying on an extensive practice of osteopathic medicine in Lincoln, Albert Joseph Gulesian has rendered outstand-

ing services in the community where he centers his work.

Dr. Gulesian was born January 5, 1911, in Boston, Massachusetts, son of Decran Joseph and Edna (Plummer) Gulesian. His father, born in Morash, Armenia, came to the United States in 1894, and became a naturalized citizen of this country. He was for years a contractor and builder in Boston, which was the native city of Mrs. Edna (Plummer) Gulesian.

Massachusetts schools furnished the early education of Albert Joseph Gulesian, who attended high school at Milton, Massachusetts. Graduated there in 1928, he then entered the Mount Hermon School, where he completed his studies in 1929. In that year he also attended Tilton Academy, at Tilton, New Hampshire. For his professional studies he entered the Middlesex College of Medicine and Surgery, which he attended for two years. He received his degree of Doctor of Osteopathy at Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery in 1936. In that year and 1937, he served an internship at Massachusetts Osteopathic Hospital, then opened his own office for his professional practice at No. 18 Lee Street, Lincoln, on June 1, 1937. Since that time he has carried on his own work in this region of Maine, centering his practice in Lincoln, and figuring prominently in civic, social, and institutional life in this city.

On August 12, 1947, Dr. Gulesian founded the Lincoln Private Hospital, a fifteen-bed institution. He is a member of the medical staff of Lincoln Hospital, and was examining physician of the Maine State Boxing Commission in 1940 and 1941. Politically he is a Republican. During the war, he was active in civilian defense work. He belongs to the Maine Osteopathic Association, the New Eng-





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land Osteopathic Association, and the American Osteopathic Association. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. In the Masonic order, he is affiliated with the Lincoln Lodge, the Royal Arch Chapter, the Knights Templar Commandery, the Council of Royal and Select Masters, and Anah Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Old Town-Orono Shrine Club and the Lions Club, and belongs to the Methodist Church.

Albert Joseph Gulesian married (first), January 2, 1933, at Milton, Massachusetts, Pearl I. Nichols, of that place, who died April 19, 1947, daughter of Alfred P. and Annie Nichols. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Albert Joseph, Jr., born December 17, 1934. 2. Paul Decran, born December 31, 1937. 3. Bonita Anne, born April 24, 1943. 4. Michele Daphne, born August 29, 1946.

Albert Joseph Gulesian married (second), May 23, 1947, at Lincoln, Shirley C. Hainer, of Lincoln, daughter of Howard and Ruth Hainer.

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#### **ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, BRUNSWICK**

The Parish of St. John the Baptist, Brunswick, is a growing and flourishing congregation of 5,200 Franco-Americans of French-Canadian descent. The church is a beautiful stone building of vast proportions and fine Gothic architecture. The parish is served by the Marist Fathers and the parochial school, staffed by the Ursuline Nuns, has an enrollment of close to six hundred children. A number of Sodalities and parish societies take care of the many religious, charitable, or social activities of children and adults.

The growth of St. John the Baptist Parish has been closely related to the growth of the cotton mills built at the falls of the Androscoggin River. The expansion of the mills, during and after the Civil War, made it necessary to import new labor. At first, the workers were local people, and a small number of Irish immigrants who had come to Brunswick when the railroad was built. Agents went to Canada to recruit new workers in the Province of Quebec. Thus started a steady migration of French-Canadians, most of them young men and young women, who came to work in the Brunswick cotton mills, from all along the south bank of the St. Lawrence River from Montreal to Rivière du Loup, and particularly from the Kamouraska and L'Islet counties. Some of the early immigrants went back to Canada. Most of them, however, stayed and took root in their new environment.

The first Catholics of Brunswick were served by priests from Bath, who came from time to time and held services in private residences, then in a local hall, and later in an old temple. On January 1, 1877, the already large French population of Brunswick saw the realization of a long-cherished dream, the dedication of their new parish to St. John the Baptist, one of the great patron Saints of the French people. From then on, the Parish has become one of the largest Franco-American groups in northern New England, men and women still remembering the language and the customs of their ancestors, but all of them civic-minded and loyal citizens of their new country of birth or adoption.

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#### **CARTERON, Rev. Fr. Claude M.**

Ordained to the Catholic priesthood in 1923, the Reverend Father Claude M.

Carteron has served the church and its communicants in various New England communities since that time. He has become as well-known in the secular world as in the ecclesiastical and has a reputation for his interest in education, public welfare, and civic affairs as well as for his leadership in religious matters.

Father Carteron was born in Lyons, France, on April 5, 1895, the son of Laurent and Marie (Peyrachon) Carteron. He received some of his early education in French parochial schools and at St. Thomas Aquinas College in his native Lyons. Later he came to America, where he prepared for the priesthood. He was graduated in 1923 from Marist College, Catholic University of America, in Washington, D. C., and in the same year was ordained a priest of the Roman Catholic Church.

Coming directly to New England, Father Carteron began a seven-year service as assistant pastor at St. Ann's Church in Lawrence, Massachusetts. From 1930 to 1932, he was assistant pastor of the Church of Notre Dame, at Cambridge, Massachusetts, and in the year after he left that church he was back in his native country, France, undertaking special studies. In 1933, when he returned to the United States, Father Carteron became pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, at Methuen, Massachusetts. There he remained until 1937, when he became pastor of St. Charles Church in Providence, Rhode Island. After nine years in Rhode Island, Father Carteron came to Maine and, since 1948, he has been pastor of St. John the Baptist Church, at 37 Pleasant Street, Brunswick. This is one of the large churches in the state, for it has about 5,500 parishioners. Father Carteron has been active not only in the church but in community affairs.

#### **MORRISON, Charles Carr, M.D.**

Since 1919, Dr. Charles Carr Morrison, known to his friends as "Ye old country doctor," has practiced medicine and surgery in Bar Harbor. His name is also well-known in Palm Beach, Florida, where for a period of a decade he practiced during the winter months. He has served his country ably in time of war; and in his civilian practice has been somewhat of a pioneer in the medical field, being the first physician in his area to use insulin and penicillin. Dr. Morrison is on the staffs of several hospitals, and is closely identified with professional organizations.

He was born at Bar Harbor, July 5, 1893, son of Dr. Charles Carr and Ida May (Connors) Morrison. His father was a graduate of Hahnemann Medical College, who practiced his profession at Bar Harbor from 1883 to 1935, and who died in April, 1935. His mother, the former Ida May Connors, passed away September 20, 1917. Dr. Morrison is of Scottish, English, and Irish ancestry. His great-grandfather, John T. Morrison, was the recipient of a grant of land amounting to six hundred acres, known as Tilden on Union River, which has been handed down within the family, and is now the property of Dr. Morrison. The doctor's proclivity toward the medical profession may have been inherited, for his father was among the most distinguished of Maine's physicians in his day. An oculist of wide repute, he spent much time in the European scientific centers, was for four years a member of the state legislature, and was a member of the Governor's Council during 1909-1910.

Charles Carr Morrison, Jr., received his preliminary education in the public grade and high schools of Bar Harbor, graduating from the latter in 1911, and at Phil-



lips Academy at Andover, Massachusetts. He undertook his advanced studies at Bowdoin College, where he was graduated with the class of 1915, degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then entered the Maine Medical School for the first two years' study, then transferred to Harvard Medical School, graduating with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1918. Dr. Morrison interned at the Boston City Hospital for one year, 1918-1919. He took postgraduate training, during the spring and fall, at various clinics in New York and Boston.

In 1919 Dr. Morrison began the practice in Bar Harbor which has continued since, interrupted only by his wartime activities. In World War I, he enlisted in the United States Army Medical Reserve Corps, was granted a first lieutenant's rating, and attached to the Boston City Hospital. During the second World War, he was Emergency Medical Officer for Bar Harbor under the Office of Civilian Defense. The rating of this unit gave him a commission and he served as senior surgeon in the rank of lieutenant colonel in the United States Public Health Service, Reserve. Commissioned May 18, 1943, Dr. Morrison was later made flight surgeon in the Coastal Air Patrol. He also served on the medical examination board of Selective Service for the duration of the war and was call-surgeon for the naval base at Bar Harbor from 1942 to 1945. He has served his community in peacetime offices as medical officer of Hancock County Red Cross and as examining physician of the draft board and veterans' physician.

Dr. Morrison, who is a general practitioner specializing in surgery, is a member of the Hancock and Penobscot county medical associations, the State of Maine Medical Association, and the American

Medical Association, and is a Fellow in the American College of Surgeons. Dr. Morrison was admitted to the surgical staff of the Bar Harbor Medical and Surgical Hospital in 1919; and during the decade of his wintertime practice at Palm Beach (1925-1936), he was a member of the surgical staff of the Good Samaritan Hospital there. He is now on the surgical staff at St. Joseph's Hospital, Bangor. He was formerly a member of the surgical staff of Mount Desert Island Hospital and is advisory physician to the health department at Bar Harbor. Dr. Morrison is a member of the Bangor Medical Club and a member of the executive and publicity committees. His fraternities are Zeta Psi, social, and Alpha Kappa Kappa, professional.

Dr. Morrison, a prominent figure in fraternal circles, is active in the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, being affiliated with the Commandery of the Knights Templar, and Anah Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs also to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and holds the Encampment degree. Locally, his organizations are the Bangor Executive Club, the Kebo Valley Golf Club, the Bar Harbor Club, and the Lions Club of Bar Harbor. He and his family are communicants of the Episcopal Church.

At Bar Harbor, on November 22, 1919, Dr. Charles Carr Morrison married Hazel R. Allen, a native of Bar Harbor and daughter of Charles and Lena (Whitmore) Allen. They have become the parents of six children: 1. Charles C., III, and 2. Charlotte Carr, twins, born March 19, 1921. Charles C. died January 22, 1923. Charlotte Carr is a graduate of Dana Hall and the University of Maine, holding the degree of Bachelor of Science in Home Economics. She married the



Rev. Lockett Ford Ballard of Garrison, New York, and they are the parents of a son, Lockett F., Jr. 3. Marian Sherbourne, born May 26, 1924. She is a graduate of Bar Harbor High School and of the New England School of Art at Boston, and is now a commercial artist. 4. Barbara Baker, born June 24, 1925. She graduated from Bar Harbor High School and from Faulkner Hospital in Brookline, Massachusetts, on completion of a two-years' course in nurse's training. Barbara Baker Morrison married George Clark Shepard of Boston and Marblehead, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of a son, Eric. During World War II, Mr. Shepard was a lieutenant in the United States Coast Guard, serving in the Aleutian Islands. 5. Patricia Connors, and 6. Nancy Connors, twins, born May 23, 1929, graduates of Bar Harbor High School, and now both students at Nasson College, Springvale. Dr. Morrison's address is 56 Cottage Street, Bar Harbor.

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#### HUBBARD, Philip H., 4th

A successful business man of Gardiner, Philip H. Hubbard, 4th, has made a conspicuous contribution to the commercial life of that community in several enterprises. In recognition of his qualities of leadership, the people of Gardiner have previously elected him mayor, retaining his services in that office for a period of eight years; and he is unopposed as candidate for mayor for a new term. He has played an active role in every civic connection in peace and war, and extends his interests to fraternal affairs.

Mr. Hubbard was born in New Gloucester in 1897, son of Philip and Katherine Hubbard, his father following the occupation of farmer. He obtained his early

education in the public schools of New Gloucester, and graduated from the Edward Little High School, in Auburn.

The first of Mr. Hubbard's enterprises in which he has remained to the present time was Hubbard's Quality Shop, which he established in 1928, and of which he has continued sole proprietor. In 1935 he opened a restaurant which has retained its popularity with the residents of Gardiner since that time. Of this prosperous establishment, too, Mr. Hubbard has remained the proprietor. This is not the extent of his business activities, for he is one of the incorporators of the Gardiner Savings Bank.

Having earned early in his career the respect and confidence of both business men and the general public of Gardiner, Philip H. Hubbard, 4th, was elected in 1940 as mayor of the city, and has held that office since that time, being even at the time of this writing unopposed candidate to succeed himself in office. His posts of civic service are numerous, for he is a director of the Gardiner Hospital, chairman of the school board, and chairman of the library board. During World War II, Mr. Hubbard served as head of Gardiner's Civilian Defense program. He is a member of the Board of Trade and of the Merchants Association. Fraternally, Mr. Hubbard is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, holds the Thirty-second degree, and is a member of Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. As a hobby he specializes in raising greenhouse plants.

Mr. Hubbard is unmarried. His business address is at 251 Water Street in Gardiner.

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#### CASPAR, Albin R.

For many years associated with the





*Carl W. Craig.*



Great Northern Paper Company, first in New England and then in New York City, Albin R. Caspar is now vice president of the corporation, with offices at the company's New York headquarters.

Mr. Caspar was born in July, 1896, in Lisbon Falls, son of Richard and Emma Caspar. His father was for many years engaged in the paper manufacturing business. Public schools provided Albin R. Caspar's early education, and after graduation from Lisbon Falls High School, he entered Bowdoin College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1919. He played college football and baseball and his interest in sports continued into his mature years.

His education completed Mr. Caspar entered the paper industry, following in the footsteps of his father. He was employed for nine years at Millinocket. Then he was assistant manager of manufacturing operations in Boston prior to his assumption of the duties of sales manager for the company in New York City. After serving for fourteen years as sales manager, he became vice president of the Great Northern Paper Company in 1936, so continuing down to the time of writing.

Mr. Caspar also has numerous interests in civic and social life, some of which connect him with Maine and this region of New England. In the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, he is affiliated with lodges at Millinocket, and at Newton, Massachusetts. He enjoys Maine outdoor life, including fishing, golf, tennis and softball. During World War I, he was a seaman in the United States Navy. He attends the Presbyterian Church.

In November, 1925, at East Millinocket, Albin R. Caspar married Bernice A. Boynton. They became the parents of two children, Richard and William.

### **CRAIG, Earl Ward**

Famed Presque Isle, in far northern Maine, the heart of a great potato, pea and oat industry, numbers among its outstanding growers Earl Ward Craig, a citizen also known for his community activities and his leadership in public affairs, the Grange, and Masonic circles. Mr. Craig has achieved such prominence in the area as to serve on the school committee and the budget committee, of the Town of Mapleton.

Born in Castle Hill, another Aroostook County community, on March 31, 1904, Mr. Craig is the son of John E. and Chrystal H. (Smith) Craig, both deceased. John E. Craig was a native of Michigan, his wife of Castle Hill. Earl Ward Craig was educated in the public schools of Mapleton. Born into an agricultural family, he early adopted farming as a career and for five years during his boyhood he worked on the farm of Milton Smith near Mapleton.

In 1925, Mr. Craig built a store at State Road, near Mapleton and about eight miles from Presque Isle, and this he operated for eighteen years. It was a general store known by his name. He sold this business in 1943. Meantime, back in 1928, he had begun to operate a farm of his own. Today he owns six hundred sixty-seven acres of land, two hundred twenty-five of which are tillable. The land is planted chiefly to potatoes, peas and oats and Mr. Craig employs four persons throughout the year, building the force up to twenty in the busy seasons.

Mr. Craig is a Republican. His interest in educational matters brought him election to Mapleton's school committee, and he served on this body for three years. In 1933 the Town of Mapleton organized its first budget committee. Mr. Craig was

elected to it then, and he has continued to serve ever since. The fact that the citizenry have retained him on that important body all through the years is evidence of the kind of service he has given the community.

Mr. Craig has also served as president of the Rotary Club of Washburn and is also past master of the Castle Hill Grange, Patrons of Husbandry. In addition to his activity in the Castle Hill organization, he belongs to the District, State and National Grange, and he holds the seventh or Ceres degree. In Masonry, he is holder of the Thirty-second degree, and belongs to such bodies as Washburn Lodge No. 193, Aroostook Council, No. 16, Royal and Select Masons; Garfield Chapter, No. 48, Royal Arch Masons; and St. Aldemar Commandery, No. 17, Knights Templar; and Maine Consistory, Valley of Portland, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite; and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Bangor. Mr. Craig also is a member of the Masonic Club of Bangor. In addition, he is active in the Presque Isle Fish and Game Club, the Presque Isle Executive Club, and the Presque Isle Chamber of Commerce. He worships in the Baptist Church.

On May 31, 1924, he married Esther Bagley of Mapleton, the ceremony being performed in that community. Mrs. Craig's father, George Bagley, died some years ago, and is survived by her mother, Mrs. Levina (Richardson) Bagley.

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#### DAVIS, Clinton Wildes, Sr., and Sons

In 1959, the Portland Packing Company, packers of corn, beans, peas, beets, and carrots, will celebrate the hundredth anniversary of its founding. At the same time Clinton Wildes Davis, Sr., and his

sons, Clinton Wildes Davis, Jr., and Nicholas Davis, will celebrate the centennial of the Davis family's association with that firm, which in the more than nine decades of its existence has grown so large that it maintains canneries at nine points in Maine and a large headquarters plant at 443 Congress Street, Portland. The senior Mr. Davis is a prominent figure not only in the canning world but also in the banking, insurance, and public utilities fields. Among the offices he holds is that of vice chairman of the board of directors of the First Portland National Bank of Portland. He is a member of one of the oldest families in America.

Clinton Wildes Davis, Sr., was born in Portland on June 2, 1888, the son of Walter Goodwin and Mary Howard (Wildes) Davis. His ancestors on both sides have been in the Western Hemisphere since the middle 1600s. William G. Davis, the father of Walter Goodwin Davis, was, with James P. Baxter, the founder of what is now called the Portland Packing Company. Walter G. Davis was also associated with the firm, as are his son and grandsons and as were other members of the family before him.

Clinton W. Davis, Sr., was educated at St. Paul's School, Concord, New Hampshire, which he attended from 1904 to 1907, and at Yale University, New Haven, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1911. Immediately upon completing his education in 1911, Mr. Davis entered the employ of the Portland Packing Company, then already more than a half century old. In 1912, when he himself was twenty-four years old, Mr. Davis became a partner in the concern. Until 1932 the Portland Packing Company continued as a partnership. In that year the partnership was dissolved



and a corporation was formed, and at that time Mr. Davis became president and treasurer. He retained both offices until 1947, when his younger son, Nicholas Davis, became vice president and the older son, Clinton W. Davis, Jr., assumed the treasurership. Since then the senior Mr. Davis has been president.

Mr. Davis' leadership in the field has brought him election as a member of the administrative council of the National Cannery Association and as president and a director of the Maine Cannery Mutual Insurance Company. Clinton W. Davis, Sr., was chairman of the old First National Bank of Portland from 1933 to 1940; after consolidation in 1940 Mr. Davis became vice chairman of the board of the First Portland National Bank. He is also a director of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and a trustee of the Maine Savings Bank of Portland. He is a member of Psi Upsilon fraternity, the Society of Colonial Wars, the American Branch of the Newcomen Society, the Cumberland Club of Portland, the Yale University Club of Boston, the Union Club of Boston, the University Club of New York City, and the Portland Yacht Club. Tennis and sailing were once his favorite relaxations.

Mr. Davis had a distinguished career in the United States Army in World War I. He joined the Second Plattsburg Training Camp in August, 1917, and was commissioned a captain in the Field Artillery Reserve Corps. Until the summer of 1918 he served as an instructor at the Third Training Camp, Leon Springs, Texas, and from May to July, 1918, was brigade adjutant of the Field Artillery Replacement Depot at Camp Jackson, South Carolina. In the next year he served as battalion commander and assistant adjutant, as adjutant, and then

commander of the Seventh Regiment, Field Artillery Replacement Depot, Camp Taylor, Kentucky, having been promoted to major on August 9, 1918. He was holding this rank when, on January 13, 1919, he received his honorable discharge.

Mr. Davis married Mary L. d'Este on June 24, 1911. Besides the two sons who are his business associates, he has two daughters, Jane, now Mrs. Christian E. Born, and Anne, now Mrs. Joseph H. Johnson.

The older son, Clinton Wildes Davis, Jr., was born in Portland on June 11, 1917. Following his graduation from St. Paul's School at Concord, C. W. Davis, Jr., attended Yale University and the New York University School of Business Administration in New York City, from which he was graduated in 1939. The following year and one-half he spent making a world tour aboard the schooner "Yankee." In the spring of 1941, when the United States was still in the "national emergency" period, he entered the Army as a private. He remained until May, 1946, and in that time rose to the rank of major, as had his father in World War I. Mr. Davis began in the Ordnance Department of the Army. He saw service in China, Burma, and India as an officer in the now-famed C-B-I Theater of Operations. When he was separated from the service, Mr. Davis joined his father and brother in the Portland Packing Company. His association with the firm dates from June, 1946. In May, 1947 he took over his father's title of treasurer and at the same time was elected to the board of directors. He is a member of the Portland Yacht Club and the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Portland.

Nicholas Davis was born in Portland on February 21, 1923. He, too, attended



St. Paul's School at Concord, but he completed his preparatory education at Oxford Academy at Pleasantville, New Jersey, after which he studied for a time at Bowdoin College. Nicholas Davis entered the United States Army on October 9, 1942, and served until November 21, 1945. He rose from private to technician fourth grade in the Ninety-fifth Division, United States Field Artillery, attached to General Patton's Third Army. He saw considerable action in the European Theater of Operations. Early in 1946, after his separation from the service, Nicholas Davis became an associate of his father in the Portland Packing Company. In May, 1947 he was elected to his present office of vice president and director. He is a member of the Portland Yacht Club, the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Portland and the Union Club of Boston. The Davis family home is at 90 Vaughan Street, Portland.

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#### PORTLAND PACKING COMPANY

Since its founding in 1859, the Portland Packing Company, with headquarters in Portland, has been an increasingly important factor in the agricultural life of Maine and in the food industry as a whole. Now headed by Clinton Wildes Davis, Sr., as president, with his sons, Nicholas Davis and Clinton Wildes Davis, Jr., as vice president and treasurer, respectively, the firm packs golden corn, white corn, succotash, golden wax beans, green beans, peas, beets, carrots and shell beans. Its canneries are at Winthrop, Oakland, Unity, Albion, Newport, Canton, West Minot, Leeds Centre and Norway. Its main office is at 443 Congress Street, Portland.

The Portland Packing Company began as a jobbing firm founded in 1859 by

William G. Davis and James P. Baxter. Its original name was Davis, Baxter and Company. In 1863, when the present company name was assumed, a man named Rumery was admitted to the partnership. Mr. Rumery died in 1873, and the original partners continued the business alone until 1880, when Walter G. Davis, son of the co-founder, was admitted to the partnership. A year later, William N. Davis and H. C. Baxter became partners and William G. Davis retired. Another year passed and in 1882 C. L. Baxter was admitted into the partnership. In 1887 James P. Baxter retired, and now the two founders were inactive. In 1891 H. C. Baxter retired, but shortly afterward went to Brunswick, Maine, where he formed H. C. Baxter and Brother. In 1898 William N. Davis died.

Within the next fourteen years two more partners were admitted: E. R. Baxter in 1902, Clinton Wildes Davis, Sr., in 1912. Mr. Davis had joined the firm a year before, on completion of his education, but had to wait the twelve months' period for a partnership status. In 1918 his father, Walter G. Davis, retired and four years later Will D. Moyer and Miles E. Langley became members of the partnership. In 1931 C. L. Baxter died and E. R. Baxter retired. The following year the partnership was dissolved and a corporation was formed, with Clinton W. Davis, Sr., as president and treasurer, Will D. Moyer, as vice president, and Miles E. Langley, as secretary, but shortly afterward, also in 1932, Mr. Moyer died. In 1944 Mr. Langley died, and in May, 1947 Nicholas Davis became vice president, C. W. Davis, Jr., treasurer.

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#### KNOWLTON, Charles Colby, M.D.

Dr. Charles Colby Knowlton has prac-

ticed medicine in Ellsworth since 1913 and is visiting surgeon at the Eastern Memorial Hospital. He was born in Bucksport, March 3, 1885, the son of John Franklin and Jessie (Meserbey) Knowlton. John Franklin Knowlton, who died in 1948 at the age of ninety-two, was a prominent attorney. He served for twenty years as clerk of court in Hancock County, was private secretary to Honorable Judge John Peters of the United States Circuit Court at Washington, D. C., and clerk of the United States Court at Portland, when Judge Peters was appointed to the United States District Court. Dr. Knowlton's mother died in 1936 at the age of eighty-one.

Charles Colby Knowlton attended Ellsworth High School and Bowdoin College, from which he was graduated in 1906 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then studied medicine in the Harvard University Medical School, graduating in 1911 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. For one year he took postgraduate work in the Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore. From 1912 to 1913 Dr. Knowlton interned at the Hartford Hospital at Hartford, Connecticut, and in 1913 he began to practice in Ellsworth. Dr. Knowlton in 1921 was instrumental in having Mrs. Roselle Hurley take over a large residence and operate it as a private hospital. This she did for twenty years. The hospital then became the nucleus of what is now known as the Eastern Memorial Hospital. Dr. Knowlton has retained a close connection with the hospital and is visiting surgeon at the Eastern Memorial. During both World War I and World War II he served as examining physician for the local draft board, and he is one of the government's physicians for the United States Veterans' Administration in this area.

He is a member of the Hancock County Medical Society, the Maine State Medical Association, and the American Medical Association. Fraternally Dr. Knowlton is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and the Order of the Eastern Star. He is a member of the Royal Arch Masons, the Knights Templar and Anah Temple, of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to Zeta Psi, social, and Phi Beta Kappa, honor, fraternities. Dr. Knowlton is a Republican and a Congregationalist. He belongs to the Ellsworth Luncheon Club.

Dr. Charles Colby Knowlton married (first) in September, 1909, Ella E. Morang, the daughter of Charles L. and Carrie E. Morang. Ella E. (Morang) Knowlton died in 1936. Of this union there was one son, John Franklin Knowlton, born February 26, 1918. He graduated from Ellsworth High School and from Bowdoin College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1940. During World War II he served with the United States Army in the European Theater of Operations, being associated with the United States Military Government. He received his honorable discharge in 1945, and is now an accountant for the Children's Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts. He married Barbara Reynolds of Keene, New Hampshire, and they have a son, John Franklin Knowlton, III. Dr. Knowlton married (second) in June, 1937, Mrs. Mary E. Bachman, the daughter of Charles and Mary Haycock. He has a stepdaughter, Elizabeth Bachman, born in 1919. She graduated from the Ellsworth High School and is now a student at the New England Baptist Hospital nurses' training school.



**ACHESON, James McClurg**

James McClurg Acheson, owner and managing director of the Acheson Hotels and of other valuable hotel properties in New England, is one of the most public-spirited citizens of Augusta, where he is active in many civic projects.

He was born in New York City, November 1, 1899, the son of James and Letitia (McClurg) Acheson, his father being a restaurant operator. Mr. Acheson is a graduate of Freeville High School, in Freeville, New York, and of the LaSalle Institute of Higher Accountancy.

The Acheson Hotels, of which he is owner and managing director, consist of the Augusta House, in Augusta, Hotel Elmwood, in Waterville, Hotel Rockland, in Rockland, The Elm Hotel, in Auburn, and Hotel DeWitt and Hotel Littleton, in Lewiston. In addition Mr. Acheson is owner and operator of the White Cloud Laundry in Augusta, owner of the Belgrade Lakes Hotel and Cottage Resort, and president of the Moody Hotel Company, Inc., owners of the Moody Hotel property in Claremont, New Hampshire. He is president of the Maine Hotel Association and vice president of the New England Hotel Association. He is also a director and secretary of the board of the First National Granite Bank.

Mr. Acheson is vice president of the Augusta Young Men's Christian Association, a member of the board of directors of the Augusta General Hospital, a member of the executive committee of the Pine Tree Society for Crippled Children, and vice president of the Augusta-Hallowell Chamber of Commerce. He was treasurer of the Charles P. Nelson for Congress Club. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he is a member and

past president of the Augusta Rotary Club, president of the Augusta Country Club, past president of the Kennebec Executives Club, treasurer of the Augusta Athletic Association and member of the board of directors of the Maine Publicity Bureau. Mr. Acheson is a member of the Episcopal Church, while his family are affiliated with the Roman Catholic Church.

On August 9, 1937 in North Conway, New Hampshire, James McClurg Acheson was married to Mary Louise Petrov, the daughter of Michael and Julia Petrov. To this union were born four children: James Michael Acheson, born May 2, 1938; Thomas McClurg Acheson, born May 26, 1940; Richard David Acheson, born December 3, 1942; and Robert Bruce Acheson, born December 19, 1944. Mr. Acheson also has one daughter by a previous marriage, Alice Joan Acheson, born July 10, 1931, and now a student at Colby College.

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**DANA, Luther**

President of the Dana Warp Mills of Westbrook, Luther Dana heads one of the important industrial companies of Maine. As is usually true of large enterprises in the creation of goods and wealth, the prosperity reaped therefrom goes down to the people employed and the community at large. Mr. Dana is not only a well recognized executive but has won repute for his constructive and continuous interest in civic affairs, and by his co-operation with movements and organizations that work for the better development of Westbrook and the welfare of its citizens.

The surname Dana is said to have derived from the Celtic word, dana, meaning daring or bold, and was also applied





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to the successor of a king of the Celts. In the very distant past the family was of French derivation, and the first American ancestor of record came from England to Cambridge, Massachusetts, in 1640. Luther Dana of Westbrook, is a son of Woodbury Kidder and Mary Little Hale (Pickard) Dana, the mother having been born in Antrim, Maine in 1849. The father, founder of the Dana Warp Mills in 1866, was a native of Portland, born in 1840, who lived to 1924. He served with the Union Forces during the Civil War, as a member of Company K, of the original 10th Regiment of Maine Volunteers, and later served with the 28th Regiment, from Maine.

To go to Bowdoin College is almost a tradition to the Dana family, and after preparing for higher education in the Westbrook High School, Luther Dana matriculated at Bowdoin College, and was graduated in 1903, a Bachelor of Arts. That same year he started to learn the textile industry in the Dana Warp Mills, in Westbrook. In 1905 he was promoted to assistant superintendent; in 1911, was made superintendent of the mills, and since 1924 has been president and assistant treasurer of the company. Some seven hundred people are employed and distribution of products is wide. In carrying on the leadership of the firm during the changing national conditions of the past quarter century, many difficulties have been met and adjustments made. The business acumen and courageous enterprise of the president have furthered the industrial status of his city and state, and won him the admiration of associates and competitors.

In addition to his business activities, Luther Dana is a familiar figure in community affairs, not as political or civic official, but as an exemplar of sound citi-

zenship. Education is one of the causes in which he has long been interested. He served seven years on the West School board of which he was chairman. As a Bowdoin undergraduate he engaged in a number of campus activities, but was best known as a player of football, baseball and tennis games in which he was featured in high school. He is now overseer of Bowdoin College, Brunswick, and also of Nasson College, Springvale, this state. He is a member of several associations of industrial leaders. Reared in the Congregational faith, he is liberal in the support of religious and humanitarian projects.

On October 10, 1905, at Roxbury, Massachusetts, Luther Dana married Mary Decrow, daughter of William E. and Charlotte (Emery) Decrow. Mr. and Mrs. Dana are the parents of two daughters: 1. Louise, born at Westbrook, November 18, 1906, a graduate of The Waynflete School, Portland, Walnut Hill School for Girls, at Natick, and Simmons College, Boston. She married Lieutenant Briah K. Connor of Barnstable, at Westbrook, on September 8, 1928, and they have a daughter, Patricia, born August 7, 1929, a graduate of Northfield Seminary, and now at Radcliffe College, Cambridge, where she is on the dean's list. Lieutenant Connor served in the United States Army during World War II, at New Guinea and the Australian campaign, and currently is engaged in an educational field. 2. Mary, born in Westbrook, a graduate of Dana Hall School and Gorham Normal School. She married Robert F. Kingsbury, of Ithaca, New York, a graduate of Bowdoin College. Their children are: i. Robert Andrews, born at Plattsburg, New York, October 8, 1936. ii. Martha Barnes, born January 26, 1939. iii. Mary Freeman, born at Springfield,



Wilbraham Academy, Wesleyan University, Massachusetts, May 12, 1942. iv. Rita Louise, born at Brunswick, January 21, 1944. Mr. Kingsbury is an educator.

### **DANA, Philip**

The Dana name has been notable in the annals of New England for more than three centuries. Its meaning in Ancient Celtic is "bold" or "daring," traits that seem to be characteristic of the family in successive generations. In Maine and Westbrook, the Danas have been prominent in the textile industry. For a period of more than half a century, Philip Dana has been active as employer and executive in the large Dana Warp Mills, founded by his father. His business leadership has been outstanding, and as an employer of many workers he has devoted most enlightened and sympathetic understanding to their welfare, and been a proponent of progressive measures of a beneficial nature.

Philip Dana was born August 3, 1874, a son of Woodbury Kidder and Mary Little Hale (Pickard) Dana. His mother, a native of Auburn, Maine, was born in 1849; his father, born in Portland, in 1840, died in 1924. Woodbury Dana was a veteran of the War Between the States, having served with Company K, of the 1-10th and 29th Maine Regiments. As indicated, he was the founder in 1866, of the Dana Warp Mills.

Philip Dana completed his formal education in the Westbrook High School, and was graduated in 1896, with the degree Bachelor of Arts, from Bowdoin College. He also is an honorary Master of Arts, of Bowdoin. Immediately after leaving college, he entered his father's mills, and in 1897, in order to learn the cotton spinning business, he attended Philadelphia Textile School. From 1898

to 1910 he was superintendent of the Dana Warp Mills, and was president from 1910 to 1924. Since 1924 he has been treasurer of the corporation that employs about seven hundred people, and is one of the principal contributors to the prosperity of Westbrook.

Along trade lines, Philip Dana is a well-known figure in the Cotton Textile Institute of New York, the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers, and the Associate Industries of Maine. He has been trustee and treasurer of Bowdoin College since 1926 and is director of the First Portland National Bank, director of the Lockwood-Dutchess Company of Waterville, director of the Central Maine Power Company of Augusta, and treasurer and director of the Dana Warp Mills. Mr. Dana makes his home at Cape Elizabeth, where he is a member of the Purpoodock Club, and also belongs to the Portland Club, of the city. He attends the Congregational Church.

On November 21, 1908, at Portland, Philip Dana married Florence Hinckley. They are the parents of four children: 1. Philip Dana, Jr., superintendent of Dana Warp Mills. 2. Woodbury K., associated with Saco-Lowell Company of Boston. 3. Howard H., with Curtis Publishing Company of Philadelphia. 4. Mrs. Jack W. Jordan, of Manchester, New Hampshire. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Dana have fourteen grandchildren.

### **KENTS HILL SCHOOL AND JUNIOR COLLEGE**

Kents Hill, a co-educational boarding school and junior college, in Readfield Township, Kennebec County, has as its president and headmaster the prominent educator, William Warren Dunn. He is a native of Boston who acquired his education in the public schools of Gardner,

sity, at Middletown, Connecticut, and Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. He is a Bachelor of Arts, Wesleyan, 1926, and a Master of Arts, Brown University, 1934. He was athletic director at Pomfret School from 1927 until 1933, and assistant headmaster and athletic director at Vermont Academy from 1934 until 1942. Since 1942 Mr. Dunn has been president and headmaster of Kents Hill. Under his administration, the school has modernized its plant, and increased its enrollment. In addition to a vigorous participation in the life of the school, he has taken an active part in church and town affairs. Under his leadership a capable faculty of fourteen full-time teachers co-operate to make Kents Hill a secondary school of distinction.

As early as 1798, Luther Sampson, a New England forefather of rare courage and wisdom, sought to improve pioneer living by offering educational opportunities at Kents Hill in the Province of Maine. Out of his efforts arose a fine New England school, which was incorporated in 1824 under the name of Maine Wesleyan Seminary and College. Building on the strong foundation laid by Luther Sampson, Kents Hill today offers a well-rounded and attractive school life in the luxury of simplicity. With a rich background of tradition and with a keen sense of future possibilities, the school is continuing its career of wide usefulness. It helps to develop social maturity in its students; it strengthens their power to think clearly and to make sound judgments; it fosters a spiritual atmosphere which inspires faith and courage.

The school and the village are situated on the summit of a high rolling hill overlooking the valleys and lakes of the Belgrade region. The town of Readfield is a rural farming community that serves

also as a suburb of Augusta, the state capital, fourteen miles to the East. The school, three and one half hours from Boston by the Boston and Maine Railroad, is directed by a self-perpetuating board of trustees, twenty-five in number, who meet twice a year. Among the present trustees are Bishop John Wesley Lord; Dr. Olin S. Pettingill, superintendent of the Middlesex County Hospital; Everett F. Greateon, executive secretary to the Maine Development Commission; John Boyden, director of admissions, Deerfield Academy; and John O. Newton, Principal Emeritus of the school. The fifty-acre campus is shaded by maple trees three quarters of a century old.

Kents Hill is accredited by the State Department of Education and holds memberships in the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the Cum Laude Society. The plant is valued at \$500,000; the endowment at \$349,000. The school lists 5,500 alumni, 3,000 of whom were graduated. An Alumni Association supports an annual loyalty fund and is active in the welfare of the school. Sampson Hall, built in 1860, and remodeled in 1943, has separate dormitories for boys and girls; and contains the kitchen, dining hall, a girls' living room, a boys' club room, a recreation room for girls, and an infirmary. The girls' corridors are paneled in colors; the boys' corridors are finished in knotty pine. Bearce Hall, the schoolhouse, was built in 1873. It provides classrooms, recently redecorated in soft pastel shades, two science laboratories, secretarial science rooms and equipment, and the Deering Chapel for daily assemblies, Sunday Vespers, and the concert series. Newton Gymnasium (1931) contains three basketball courts, dressing rooms, space for drill, badminton, ping-pong, and a stage



for dramatics. Ricker Hall serves as an extra-curricular center. A little theater was built in its walls in 1948. The stage is modern and especially planned for school dramatic productions and music recitals. The auditorium has been designed for both beauty and good acoustics. The concert series and the Saturday evening movies are held here. The new library in Ricker Hall, finished in August, 1949, is spacious and well lighted, and is adequately equipped for study. The headmaster's home is on the campus, and easily accessible to all. Its spacious living room is adapted to student activities and informal gatherings. Directly in back of the school buildings is a wide stretch of fields for football, baseball, field hockey, track and archery; three tennis courts; and an ice-hockey rink. The school has its own water supply and town fire protection.

The student body enrolls one hundred and four boarding students and sixty day pupils, boys and girls in about equal numbers. Student activities are exceptionally numerous and varied. Kents Hill is approved by the New England College Entrance Certificate Board and enjoys the privilege of sending graduates to college by certificate. The high scholastic standing of the school has been recognized by the establishment of a chapter of the Cum Laude Society, and the school is an active member of the American Association of Junior Colleges.

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#### **ALLINE, Lawrence Henry**

President and a director of both the Maine Public Service Company and the Maine-New Brunswick Electric Power Company, Ltd., Lawrence Henry Alline is known for the work he has done on behalf of the development and welfare of the state. He is active in the fields of

civic affairs and hospital care. He is a veteran of World War I.

Born in Le Mars, Iowa, on October 11, 1892, Mr. Alline is the son of Josiah K. and Mildred (Bliss) Alline, both now deceased. The father was born at East Machias, the mother at Jericho, Vermont. Josiah Alline was a salesman in the electrical supply industry. Lawrence Alline received his entire education in his native Middle West. He is a graduate of grade and high schools of Fort Dodge, Iowa, and of Purdue University, in 1915, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering. He had been practicing his profession for about two years when the United States was plunged into World War I. He enlisted soon after the declaration of war and served in the 37th Engineers. He went overseas with the American Expeditionary Forces and saw action in the St. Mihiel and other sectors, rising to the rank of first lieutenant.

Discharged in 1919, Mr. Alline returned to the Middle West. For the next seven years he was with the Packard Electric Company of Warren, Ohio, where he was manager of transformer sales, from 1919 to 1923, and from 1923 to 1926 he served as district manager of the Chicago office. In 1926 Mr. Alline came to Maine as general manager of the Maine Public Service Company at Presque Isle. In 1933, he was elevated to the presidency. At about the same time he assumed the presidency of the Maine-New Brunswick Electric Power Company, Ltd. His office is at 144 State Street, Presque Isle.

Mr. Alline's interest in public affairs and welfare has brought him many honors and positions of influence. He was president of the Presque Isle General Hospital for five years. He is a member of the Maine State Hospital Association;





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and is a director of the Associated Hospital Service of Maine and the Maine Publicity Bureau. Prominent in Rotary, he is past president of the Presque Isle club and past district governor of Rotary International in Maine and the Maritime Provinces of Canada. He is a member of such other organizations as the American Legion, the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Aroostook Valley Country Club, and Sigma Chi fraternity. He is a Republican and worships in the Congregational Church.

Mr. Alline married Alice Dodge, a native of Hazelton, Pennsylvania, in Baltimore, Maryland, on September 25, 1923. They are the parents of a daughter, Eleanor, who was born on April 12, 1927, in Presque Isle. Mr. Alline and his family reside at 24 Third Street, Presque Isle.

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**CRAM, Robert Lorenzo**

Robert Lorenzo Cram, register of deeds for Cumberland County, has practiced law in Portland since 1940, being associated during the early years of his practice with his father, also a man of considerable prominence in professional and public life. Mr. Cram served his country well as a naval officer during World War II, and since his return to civilian life has been elected to the office of register of deeds.

Born August 21, 1912, in Portland, Mr. Cram is a son of Harry L. and Florence Bertha (Greenhalgh) Cram. He graduated from Deering High School in Portland and entered the University of Maine, where he graduated in 1934 with the degree of Bachelor of Science. His professional preparation was received at the Boston University Law School, where in 1940 he was granted the Bachelor of Laws degree. In that year he was admitted to practice, and associated him-

self with his father in Portland, so continuing until 1942.

The elder Mr. Cram, who was born February 7, 1871, in Deering, was a son of Orlando B. and Jennie L. (Leighton) Cram. A stenographer and clerk in a railway freight department early in life, Harry Lorenzo Cram later became a law clerk in the office of the Hon. Clarence Hale, and was admitted to the bar in 1904. After practicing independently for many years, he formed the firm of Cram and Lawrence in 1925. He was at various times councilman, president of the council, and member of the board of aldermen, member of the House of Representatives and the Senate of the state of Maine, and a member of the National Conference on Uniform State Laws. Harry Lorenzo Cram died March 1, 1944; his wife, the former Florence Bertha Greenhalgh, had passed away December 6, 1941. Robert L. Cram has, like his father, been interested in political affairs, and is a loyal member of the Republican party.

Mr. Cram was in action during World War II as a member of the United States Naval Reserve. He enlisted in May, 1942, as a seaman second class; was assigned to PT Boat Squadron 15, as a quartermaster third class, and saw service in the Mediterranean for ten months. He was in on the invasion of Sicily, and the assault on the Italian mainland. Subsequently, in December, 1943 he was promoted in rank from quartermaster second class to lieutenant junior grade; he also saw service in the Naval Armed Guard in the North Atlantic and as a beachmaster on transports in the Pacific. He was honorably discharged from the service on December 14, 1945.

His father had died during his period of service in the navy, and on resuming his law practice, Robert L. Cram became



associated with Samuel H. King, to form the firm of Cram and King, now dissolved. He was elected register of deeds for Cumberland County in September, 1946, took office January 1, 1947, and has continued to the present time to most ably discharge the duties of this post.

Mr. Cram is an enthusiastic fraternalist, being a member of the lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and the fraternity lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He belongs to the Anderson-Mayberry Post, in Yarmouth, of the American Legion, and his fraternities are Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Zeta, which he joined at the University of Maine, and Delta Theta Phi, legal fraternity. Professionally, he is a member of the Cumberland County Bar Association. He belongs to the National Grange, and is a communicant of the non-denominational Foreside Community Church, which congregation he serves as clerk of the board. He is also a member of the Church of the New Jerusalem at Portland.

On August 31, 1939, Robert L. Cram married Emilie Soule Chase, daughter of Fred E. and Neva (Soule) Chase, of the town of Cumberland. Mr. and Mrs. Cram are the parents of a daughter, Neva Soule Cram, born in Portland, August 28, 1945; and a son, James Chase Cram, born April 28, 1949, also in Portland. The Crams make their home in Cumberland.

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#### PORTLAND JUNIOR COLLEGE

For ten years, from its inception in 1933, Portland Junior College was housed at the Portland Young Men's Christian Association. During this period the college offered two years of Business Administration and a year of Liberal Arts. From February, 1941, to May, 1943, the

college operated a Civilian Pilot Training Program, which gave both ground and flight training. In January, 1946, a program of intensive college preparation was instituted for the service of the returning veterans, which program is still in effect. In September, 1946, the regular college program was also resumed.

On October 29, 1946, Raymond S. Oakes, president of the college board of directors, announced the purchase of more than six acres of land from the historic Deering Estate as a site for a college campus. The following spring, when the college received a state appropriation of \$50,000, plans were made for the erection of new buildings on this campus, and the remodeling of the existing buildings. At this point the Federal government entered the campus picture.

Because of the service which the college was rendering to the veterans, the Federal government removed, from their location on Great Diamond Island, three of the educational war surplus buildings, originally erected there for Navy use, and supervised their relocation on the new campus. The government likewise equipped these buildings with oak desks, tables and chairs for use as classrooms and a library.

Visitors to the campus should also visit the original farm house of the Deering Estate, located at the Brighton Avenue end of the campus. This interesting example of Cape Cod architecture was built one hundred and sixty-five years ago, prior to the Mansion House. The original fireplaces have been restored, and the single-board wainscoting is still preserved. The building now houses the college offices of the bursar, registrar, and general administration.

The remodeled barn of the Estate, with many of the original great beams still





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preserved, contains the college assembly hall and lounge rooms. This structure was erected in 1804, and was still being used at the time it was taken over by the college. The original colonial window panel over the east door was used as the architectural theme of the remodeling.

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**BONNEY, Luther I., M.A.**

Dean of the Portland Junior College, Luther I. Bonney has left the impress of his work as an educator upon the educational facilities of this city. During the fifteen years that he has been identified with the school he has proved his worth as an administrator, has made important improvements in curriculum, and has greatly influenced the services rendered to students and the public at large. Portland is fortunate in having an educator of such excellent academic preparation combined with a broad background as an instructor, business experience, and varied abilities.

Dean Bonney was born at Turner, Maine, on September 17, 1884, son of Charles A. and Cora E. (Merrill) Bonney. Completing his preparation for higher education at the Leavitt Institute, near his birthplace, he matriculated at Bates College, where he was graduated in 1906, a Bachelor of Arts. He later did postgraduate work at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, and is a Phi Beta Kappa. In 1948 he received the honorary Master of Arts degree from his alma mater.

From Bates, Luther I. Bonney launched his career as an educator by teaching Greek and Latin at Dean Academy, Franklin, Massachusetts. After continuing in this capacity from 1906 to 1915, he accepted a call to Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont, to become

professor of mathematics. Here he remained to 1927, when he resigned to enter upon a private enterprise in Portland, with which he was associated until 1933. In this year he returned to his former career with the Portland Junior College. After being educational director of the institution from 1933 to 1938, he was named dean, the post he has since filled most capably. A sketch of the Portland Junior College accompanies this biography.

Recognition of the scholastic attainments of Dean Bonney is represented in his right to wear the Phi Beta Kappa key, and in the honorary award of the Master's degree in Arts, by Bates College. In personal activities, he is a member of the Woodfords Club of Portland and of the Portland Men's Singing Club, of which he is a past president. He cooperates heartily in civic movements. He is a member of the Cumberland Center Congregational Church, and formerly was president of the Cumberland Center Men's Club. For recreation he enjoys gardening and carpentry.

On June 20, 1908, at Turner Center, Luther I. Bonney married Katharine B. Bigelow, daughter of Dr. Frank B. and Alice (Raines) Bigelow. Mrs. Bonney is a graduate of Lewiston Normal Training School. Mr. and Mrs. Bonney are the parents of a son: Bradford, who was born December 2, 1913. A graduate of Falmouth High School, he enlisted in World War II, and served with the United States Army Air Force, in the Pacific theater with the rank of corporal.

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**TURNER, Mark Earl**

One of the important potato growers and business men of northern Maine is Mark Earl Turner of Presque Isle. Mr. Turner is not only a farmer on a large

scale but also the owner of property, housing a leading hotel, a super-market and a famed retail establishment. He is a director in business firms and civic organizations and a vigorous worker on behalf of regional and state development. In recognition of his public interest he has been elected to the City Council of Presque Isle.

Mr. Turner was born in Mapleton, a few miles from the present center of his activities, on October 29, 1893, the son of the late George W. Turner and of Margaret (Waddell) Turner. His father, who was also a farmer, died in October, 1937. From the family farm on which he was born Mark Turner went to the country schools of Mapleton. In his spare time as a boy he helped his father on the farm and when he left school he gave full time to this work.

In 1916 he began farming for himself and at one time had as many as one hundred eighty-five acres of potatoes. Today he farms seventy acres of potatoes. In 1939 he moved to Presque Isle. Since then he has purchased various buildings and built them into twenty-nine apartment units. He owns the L. S. Bean Block on Presque Isle's Main Street. In it are located the Hotel Commander and the twelve bowling alleys operating in an enterprise known as the Twentieth Century Alleys, which he also owns. He built the present modern Sears-Roebuck and Company structure, which he owns, and the edifices housing the First National Super Market of Presque Isle and the Aroostook Valley Railroad offices on Main Street. In addition, Mr. Turner is a director and large stockholder in the A. W. Higgins Fertilizer Company and the Northeastland Hotel Corporation. He is part owner of the new Braden theater, now under construction. He is also a

stockholder and director of the Northland Hotel Association at Houlton, and a stockholder in the Northern Maine Fair Association.

A Republican, he was elected in December, 1947, to the Presque Isle City Council for a three-year term. He is a member of the Lions Club of Presque Isle, the Maine Potato Growers Association and the Mooseleuk Club. For recreation he likes fishing.

Mr. Turner married Emily Cyr of Presque Isle in that community on September 7, 1917.

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#### **McGORRILL, Virgil C.**

Throughout an active business career, Virgil C. McGorrill has been a well-known figure in Portland life and affairs. The field of finance has engaged his attention from the time he was graduated from college and for the past fifteen years he has been the president of the State Investment Company in the Maine metropolis. He was old enough to be in the United States Army during World War I, and young enough to serve World War II civilian efforts patriotically and well. He is especially interested in humanitarian projects and institutions.

Born at Clinton, Massachusetts, on May 22, 1899, Virgil C. McGorrill is the son of John H. and Julia (Spofford) McGorrill. His father, a native of Ireland, came to the United States and married Julia Spofford, who was born at Deer Isle, Maine. The family moved to Portland in 1913, where the father was a tailor until his death in 1928. Prepared for higher education in the Deering High School, class of 1918, Virgil C. McGorrill entered Bowdoin College, at Brunswick, where he was graduated in 1922, a Bachelor of Arts. He participated in several extra-curricular activities while



at Bowdoin and was a member of the Beta Theta Xi fraternity.

Mr. McGorrill started his business career with Richardson, Hill and Company, in Portland, in 1924. Two years later he joined the staff of Ireland and Company, a noteworthy investment firm with which he was identified from 1924 to 1930. In March, 1930, he became vice president of the Fidelity-Ireland Corporation, and since April, 1933, has been president of the State Investment Company of Portland. His abilities and experience as an executive and financial advisor are widely recognized and he is ranked high in the business circles of the city. He is equally well-known for his constructive interest in a variety of community organizations. As indicated, he served in the United States Army during World War I. During World War II he was director of the Portland Community War Chest and was to the fore in the promotion of war bonds and the raising of funds for the Red Cross, Young Men's Christian Association, and similar groups, and was vice chairman of the Portland Chapter of the American Red Cross Society. He is a trustee of the Maine General Hospital, and a director of the Portland Young Men's Christian Association. His clubs include the Rotary, the Portland Country, and the Cumberland Club. He attends the Central Square Baptist Church. Mr. McGorrill is a former director of the Bowdoin College Alumni Council, and a past president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, 1940-42, and has been director of this group for seven years.

At Portland, Maine, on June 23, 1923, Virgil C. McGorrill married Bernice B. Butler, daughter of Charles M. and Myrtie (Littlefield) Butler. Mrs. McGorrill is a graduate of Colby College, class of 1921. Mr. and Mrs. McGorrill are the

parents of two sons: 1. John M., who was born at Portland, August 18, 1925, a graduate of Deering High School, and Bowdoin College, class of 1947, with the degree Bachelor of Arts, now connected with the Saco-Lowell Company, at Biddeford. During World War II he served in the United States Army. 2. Bruce C., who was born at Portland, on June 23, 1931, a graduate of Deering High School.

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#### **ELLIOTT, Gilbert Molleson, Jr.**

A native of Maine and a member of long established New England families, Gilbert Molleson Elliott, Jr., has found in this state ample opportunity to achieve progress in business, and to be a public-spirited citizen. He was born in Brunswick, on December 23, 1902, son of Dr. Gilbert Elliott and the former Belle Vernard Merryman. His father, a prominent physician of Brunswick for half a century, set an example for his son in the field of military affairs, for he served both in the Spanish-American War and World War I, in the United States Army Medical Corps. For thirty-three years he was identified actively with the Maine National Guard, and in Brunswick was a member of the school committee for twenty-eight years.

After being graduated from the Brunswick High School in 1920, Gilbert Molleson Elliott, Jr., entered Deerfield Academy to prepare for college, and after his graduation entered Bowdoin College, where he received the degree Bachelor of Science with the class of 1925. That same year in July, he went with Ireland and Company, a connection that was continued to March, 1930, when he resigned to immediately join the Fidelity-Ireland Corporation. Since 1933, however, he has been treasurer of the State Investment Company of Portland. Since 1940 he



likewise has been director of the Casco Homestead Savings and Loan Association, which he has served at various times on the security committee, the finance committee, and the executive committee.

Mr. Elliott has given considerable time to civic affairs and is depended upon to support worthy enterprises or movements tending to advance the progress of the community and the welfare of its people. A very special personal interest is Bowdoin College, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity and former popular undergraduate. He is a past president, 1933-34, of the Kennebec Valley Bowdoin Club, and is a member of the Bowdoin Club of Portland. Fraternally he is affiliated with United Lodge No. 8, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and attends the State Street Congregational Church, Portland. During World War II, Mr. Elliott, from May, 1942, to October, 1945, served with the United States Air Force, as an instructor in flexible gunnery.

On June 18, 1927, at Brunswick, Gilbert Molleson Elliott, Jr., married Virginia M. Nash, daughter of Uriah N. and Clara (Davis) Nash. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, Jr., are the parents of two daughters: 1. Joan, who was born April 17, 1928. 2. Constance, who was born June 19, 1932.

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#### **LAFLAMME, Msgr. Joseph A., D.D.**

Since 1920 Msgr. Joseph A. Laflamme, D.D., has served devotedly as curé of St. Joseph's Parish in Biddeford. Concerning these years of service, a parish publication of a few years past remarked:

"He arrived with the high reputation of a devoted pastor and of a good and faithful administrator. Throughout the twenty-five years that he has presided over the destinies of the

parish, he has put all his heart and all his energies into the service of the souls which have been confided to him, even as to the material prosperity of that cherished portion of the diocese committed to his charge."

Msgr. Laflamme was born at Ste. Germaine in the Province of Quebec, Canada, on May 26, 1874, son of David and Marcelline (Audet) Laflamme, and the eighth of their ten children. In 1888 the family moved to Waterville, Maine, and David Laflamme found employment with the Maine Central Railroad. Young Joseph Laflamme attended the parochial school of Waterville, and early attracted the attention of the curé of the parish, Rev. Father Narcisse Charland, who discerned in the youth the predisposition toward the priestly calling. The young man entered St. Mary's College of Van Buren in 1892, and there pursued three years of courses in the classics, after which he entered the seminary at Montreal, St. Sulpice, for his philosophic and theological studies. He was ordained priest August 10, 1899 in the parish of St. Francis de Sales in Waterville, by Msgr. Healey of Portland.

His period of service as vicar was of short duration. Two years and three months were passed at St. Mary's Church in Bangor, 1900-1902, and three months at St. André's Church in Biddeford. It had already become apparent that Rev. Laflamme was possessed of the fundamental qualities required of a pastor, and despite his youth he was named curé of the Church of St. John the Baptist at Rumford, then a simple mission. It is situated in one of the most picturesque localities in the state of Maine, in the midst of mountains and lakes. During the eighteen years of his curacy, Rev. Laflamme organized this entire parish, was instrumental in constructing a new church and a parochial school, bought a

house which he transferred into a priests' residence, and was influential in establishing a convent of the Soeurs de Ste. Chrétienne at Rumford.

His service to his church was recognized when, on May 1, 1920, he received a call as pastor of St. Joseph's Church at Biddeford, and there he has served with distinction and singleness of purpose since.

St. Joseph's Parish was erected in 1870 to satisfy the spiritual needs of the French-speaking inhabitants of the Biddeford-Saco locality. With a population predominantly French-Canadian, Biddeford finds in the Catholic Church its most widespread faith, eighty percent of its population embracing this religion. The cornerstone of the impressively beautiful St. Joseph's Church was laid in 1873, and first mass was celebrated there in October of the next year.

In becoming pastor of St. Joseph's, Msgr. Laflamme followed in a noble tradition. Rev. Jean-François Ponsardin had been the founding curé, being succeeded, in 1877, by Rev. Pierre-Emmanuel Dupont. Father Dupont's curacy was of long tenure, and his fruitful years of service were terminated in 1915, when Msgr. Arthur A. Hamel, P.D., became pastor. He was in turn succeeded by Msgr. Laflamme, under whose spiritual guidance the parish reached the three-quarter-century mark in its history. Among his parishioners it has been said of him, that he seems to have made his the words of St. Francis de Sales: "If one must err, let it be on the side of gentleness."

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#### **CHIPMAN, Roger Herbert**

Taking a leading part in the development of Maine's great fishing and canning industry, as a member of a family

which has been in the industry for years, Roger Herbert Chipman, of Lubec, is secretary and general manager of the Seaboard Packing Company and its subsidiary corporation, the American Sardine Corporation, with plants at Lubec, Robbinston, Machiasport, and South Portland, and headquarters at Lubec. The concern is one of the largest in the sardine industry. Mr. Chipman is also executive director of the Associated Fish Products Company of Eastport. He is active in urban and agricultural affairs and has long taken a prominent role in all important activities in Eastern Maine.

Born at Millbridge on August 12, 1914, Mr. Chipman is the son of Edgar Chipman, a lobster buyer, and the late Ella (Wilson) Chipman, who died in 1921. He is of English ancestry. Graduating from the Millbridge High School in 1932, Mr. Chipman worked for Harvey and Wilson, pharmacists at Lubec, for six years. In the subsequent four years he was with the wholesale drug firm of Cook, Everett, Pennell and Company in Portland. In 1943 he became secretary and general manager of the Seaboard Packing Company. This concern, established in 1932 by Chester L. Pike and Frank Avery Pike, employs nine hundred persons, and has an annual production of four hundred thousand cases of sardines per year, there being one hundred cans to the case. His responsibilities with the Seaboard Packing Company, combined with the executive directorship of the Associated Fish Products Company, have made Mr. Chipman an outstanding figure in the fishing and canning industry of New England.

He is active in such organizations as the Washington County Chamber of Commerce and the Maine State Grange. He has been master of the Grange in Washington County. He also belongs to the



Lubec Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Lubec Chamber of Commerce. In World War II Mr. Chipman participated in War Bond drives and other home-front activities. He is a deacon of the Christian Temple (Church of Christ) in Lubec.

Mr. Chipman married Doris Davis, daughter of Kenneth and Cora Davis, in Lubec on May 21, 1937. They have one son, William Earle Chipman, who was born on April 22, 1940.

Mr. Chipman's business address is 2 Water Street, Eastport, and his home address 1 Hunter Avenue.

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**GEER, George Independence, Jr., M.D.**

Dr. Geer was born January 22, 1913, in Portland, son of the late George Independence (q.v.) and Jennie E. (Merrill) Geer. His father died January 19, 1945.

After completing his preliminary schooling, George Independence Geer, Jr., was graduated from Deering High School, Portland, and from Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, where he received the Bachelor of Science degree in 1934. He earned the degree of Doctor of Medicine at Tufts College Medical School in 1938. Serving an internship at the Municipal Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut, from July, 1938 until 1940, he then became resident physician at the same institution, so continuing until 1941. From that year until 1945, he served in the Army Medical Corps with the rank of captain, being mainly stationed in the European Theater of Operations. Returning to civilian life he took up a general practice of medicine in Portland, here remaining down to the time of writing.

In addition to his regular office prac-

tice, Dr. Geer is a member of the staff of the Portland City Hospital and courtesy staff of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary, Mercy Hospital, and Maine General Hospital. He is active in the Portland Medical Association, the Cumberland County Medical Association, and the Maine Medical Association. He is a member of the South Portland Kiwanis Club, on whose board of directors he serves, and belongs to the Baptist Church.

Dr. George Independence Geer, Jr., married, September 13, 1941, in Hartford, Connecticut, Wilhelmina Natalie German, of Columbia, Connecticut, daughter of John and Julia (Erdmann) German. She is a registered nurse, a graduate of New Britain General Hospital. Dr. and Mrs. Geer became the parents of three children: 1. Daryl P., born April 9, 1943, in Richmond, Virginia. 2. Deborah A., born July 16, 1945, in Hartford, Connecticut. 3. George Independence, 3rd, born August 13, 1948, in Portland, Maine.

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**GEER, George Independence, M.D.**

For many years active in the medical profession in Maine, the late Dr. George Independence Geer was one of Portland's outstanding professional workers. He was widely known and respected among his practicing colleagues, patients, and many friends, and received many honors for his contribution to medicine and to his home community. His sons, Dr. George Independence Geer, Jr., and Dr. Charles R. Geer (q.v.), carry on the family work in medicine at the time of writing.

The elder Dr. George Independence Geer was born July 4, 1885. He attended schools in Westbrook, his birthplace, and after graduation from Westbrook High



School spent one year at Tufts College before entering Bowdoin Medical School, where he was graduated with the degree of Medicine in 1908. He served his internship at the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary, then took up his active practice of medicine in Portland. For thirty-seven years he practiced in this city, performing highly valuable service to his fellow citizens and participating to the full in the work of the profession as a whole.

Among his many activities Dr. Geer was a member of the Cumberland County Medical Association and the Maine State Medical Association. For many years he was a medical examiner for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in this area, and in April, 1943, was honored for his achievements in this connection on the occasion of his twenty-fifth anniversary as the company's senior medical examiner. Those who assembled on that occasion presented him a service pin of gold with a diamond setting. He was for a considerable period a member of the Portland Induction Center. He belonged to the Portland Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Dr. George Independence Geer married Jennie E. Merrill, who survived him. They became the parents of the following children: 1. George Independence, Jr. 2. Charles R. 3. Merrill, served in the Air Force in the Philippine Islands in World War II. 4. Mrs. Alice Wilbur of South Portland. 5. Mrs. Mary August, of Chicago, Illinois. 6. Mrs. Katherine Dunlop of Falmouth Foreside. 7. Mrs. Muriel Robinson. 8. Mrs. Martha Dunlop of South Portland.

The death of Dr. George Independence Geer occurred January 19, 1945, and was an occasion of deep sorrow in the community which he had served for so many

years as a practicing medical man. He will long be affectionately remembered by his host of friends and acquaintances.

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#### **GEER, Charles R., M.D.**

Practicing medicine in Portland, Dr. Charles R. Geer is one of this city's leading physicians and surgeons.

Dr. Geer was born October 2, 1914, in Portland, son of the late George I. (q.v.) and Jennie E. (Merrill) Geer. His father before him was also a physician.

Dr. Charles R. Geer was graduated from Deering High School in Portland, then entered Colby College, where he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1936. For his professional studies, he entered Tufts College Medical School in Boston, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1940. Serving an internship in Hartford Municipal Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut, Dr. Geer then became a captain in the Army Medical Corps. Serving from 1942 to 1945 in the European Theater of Operations during World War II, he then returned to the United States and established his practice as a physician and surgeon in Portland.

Here he is a member of the courtesy staff of Maine General Hospital and serves also on the staffs of the Maine Eye and Ear Hospital and Mercy Hospital. He belongs to the Cumberland County Medical Association, the Maine State Medical Association, and the Portland Medical Club. In his religious faith he is a Baptist. His favorite recreation is golf.

Dr. Charles R. Geer married, February 14, 1942, in Hartford, Connecticut, Mary Alice McGrath, a registered nurse, of Waterbury, Connecticut, daughter of Thomas and Mary Alice (Rainville) Mc-

Grath. They became the parents of one son, Charles R. Geer, Jr., who was born June 26, 1945, in Waterbury, Connecticut.

#### QUINN, John Thomas

Rounding out a quarter of a century of legal practice in Bangor, John Thomas Quinn has served ably in many public offices. He has been member of the city council, judge of the municipal court, city solicitor, and county attorney. He has deserved the confidence of his fellow townsmen in both the private and public aspects of his career.

John Thomas Quinn was born in Bangor, February 20, 1898, son of Michael, a native of Bangor, engaged in the lumber business there, and of Mary (Gaffney) Quinn, native of County Clare, Ireland. He received his early education in the public schools of Bangor, and after completing his course in Bangor High School, from which he was graduated in 1918, he attended the University of Maine for two years. He then began professional study in the Law School of Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., where he completed his course with graduation in 1923, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Continuing study there one year longer, Mr. Quinn received, in 1924, the degree of Master of Laws, then returned to Bangor. He was admitted to the bar in October, 1924, and opened an office at 16 Broad Street, Bangor, where he engaged in a general practice. He was early in his career admitted to all the courts of the state and to the federal courts.

In political faith he is a Republican, and he has proven himself one of the public-spirited citizens of Bangor throughout a number of years in public office. He served as law clerk in the General Land Office, Department of the Interior from

1922 to 1924. In 1926-1927 he served as a member of the city council; as judge of the municipal court from 1930 to 1934; and as county attorney of Penobscot County from 1934 to 1940. In 1940, also, he became judge elect of the probate court, but resigned both this and the county attorneyship to enter military service. He served as State Director of the Office of Selective Service Records for the State of Maine, under appointment of President Harry S. Truman, from April 1, 1947 to August 23, 1947, when he resigned to return to his law practice. He is serving as city solicitor of Brewer, having been appointed by the city council in November, 1948. Elected in September, 1948, to a two-year term as county attorney, an office in which he had previous experience of a nature to attest to his abilities, John Thomas Quinn took office on January 1, 1949. He served for six years as a member of the school board.

Retired in the rank of brigadier general, Maine National Guard, John Thomas Quinn has rendered eighteen years of service to the Guard and to the United States Armed Forces. His military career began with Federal Service during World War I. He was inducted, October 21, 1918, and assigned to the Students Army Training Corps at the University of Maine. Transferred to the Officers Training School at Ft. Monroe, Virginia, he was there discharged, under demobilization, November 26, 1918. He became active in the Maine National Guard upon receipt of his commission as first lieutenant January 2, 1930. Assigned to duty with the Headquarters Battery of the 152nd Field Artillery, he was appointed Summary Court Officer, September 30, 1930, and almost one year to the day later he was transferred to the Headquarters



Staff. He achieved promotion to the rank of captain, October 28, 1937, and on December 7, 1939, was commissioned major. He was then transferred from the Headquarters Staff of the 152d Field Artillery to the State Staff in the Judge Advocate General's Department, from whence he was inducted into Federal Service, Army of the United States, Judge Advocate General's Department, October 10-14, 1940, in the rank of major.

Promoted within the Army of the United States, as lieutenant colonel, September 2, 1944, and as colonel, June 26, 1947, he was relieved from active duty at Murphy General Hospital, Waltham, Massachusetts, June 24, 1947, and was thereupon attached in the rank of colonel to the State Detachment, Inactive, of the Maine National Guard. As previously noted, during this period and to August, 1947, he was State Director of the Office of Selective Service Records. By orders dated March 30, 1949, effective date January 3, 1948, he was relieved from inactive status and placed on the retired list, as has been stated, in the rank of brigadier general.

Professionally, he is affiliated with the Maine Bar Association and the Penobscot County Bar Association. His fraternities are Sigma Nu, which he joined at the University of Maine, and of which he is a member of Delta Nu Chapter; and Gamma Eta Gamma, of which he became a member while an undergraduate at Georgetown Law School. Formerly, he was a member of Phi Kappa Epsilon. Mr. Quinn is a member of James W. Williams Post No. 12, of the American Legion, the Penobscot County Fish and Game Association, the Bangor Historical Society, the Knights of Columbus, and the Queen City Grange of the Pa-

trons of Husbandry. Of the American Legion post he is past judge advocate, and he is a former member of the Bangor Chamber of Commerce. He belongs to the Kiwanis Club, being a past president of the Bangor Club and a past lieutenant governor of the Ninth Division of the New England District. He is of Catholic faith, a communicant of St. John's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Quinn has always been fond of outdoor sports, and for a number of years was football coach at the University of Maine: freshman coach in 1925, and assistant varsity coach from 1926 to 1929. During his college days he was greatly interested in football. In 1924 he accepted appointment as coach of the Brewer High School, and in 1929 served in a similar capacity at Bangor High School. In more recent years, Mr. Quinn has been chiefly interested in motoring and fishing, among the outdoor recreations.

In Washington, D. C., June 30, 1924, John Thomas Quinn married Edith Marie Bielaski, daughter of Charles V. and Edith Bielaski. Mr. and Mrs. Quinn have become the parents of six children: 1. John T. Quinn, born October 7, 1925, died September 22, 1933. 2. Mary Edith, born January 26, 1928. She graduated from John Bapst High School, attended Dunbarton College, Washington, D. C., and the University of Maine. She is married to Charles Herbert Scribner, son of Dr. and Mrs. Herbert C. Scribner, and is now a student in engineering at the University of Maine. 3. Helen Teresa, who was born August 20, 1929. She too is a graduate of John Bapst High School and is now a student at the University of Maine. 4. James William, and 5. Robert Michael, twins, born April 14, 1931, both



graduates of John Bapst High School, and now attending Higgins Classified Institute, Charleston, Maine. 6. Joseph Patrick, born March 2, 1937, attending St. John's Grade School. The family resides at 275 Pine Street, and Mr. Quinn's offices are at 84 Harlow Street in Bangor.

#### **CHRISTIE, Ralph Hanford**

One of the most important single factors in the economic welfare of Maine is its production of potatoes; and this crop alone is responsible for half the total value of agricultural produce within the state. Such men as Ralph Hanford Christie, of Mapleton, take a vital part in this production; and Mr. Christie is of the second generation of his family to have successfully devoted an extensive acreage to the growing of potatoes. In addition to his efforts in the agricultural sphere, he has taken an active interest in political affairs and public service, and he has long served as chairman of his town's board of selectmen.

Mr. Christie was born in New Brunswick, York County, in the Dominion of Canada, on February 15, 1894. He is a son of Alexander H. Christie, a farmer, who died February 20, 1937. Alexander H. Christie was also born in York County, Canada, on February 22, 1865, son of John T. and Catherine (McFarland) Christie, who were natives of Scotland. They never came to the United States, but remained on the family farm in Canada, where John T. Christie had been a farmer. As a boy, Alexander H. Christie attended public schools of his native district of New Brunswick. His first work was that of farming, and eventually both he and his brother, Walter R., came to the United States. Alexander H. Christie was, at the time of his arrival in this coun-

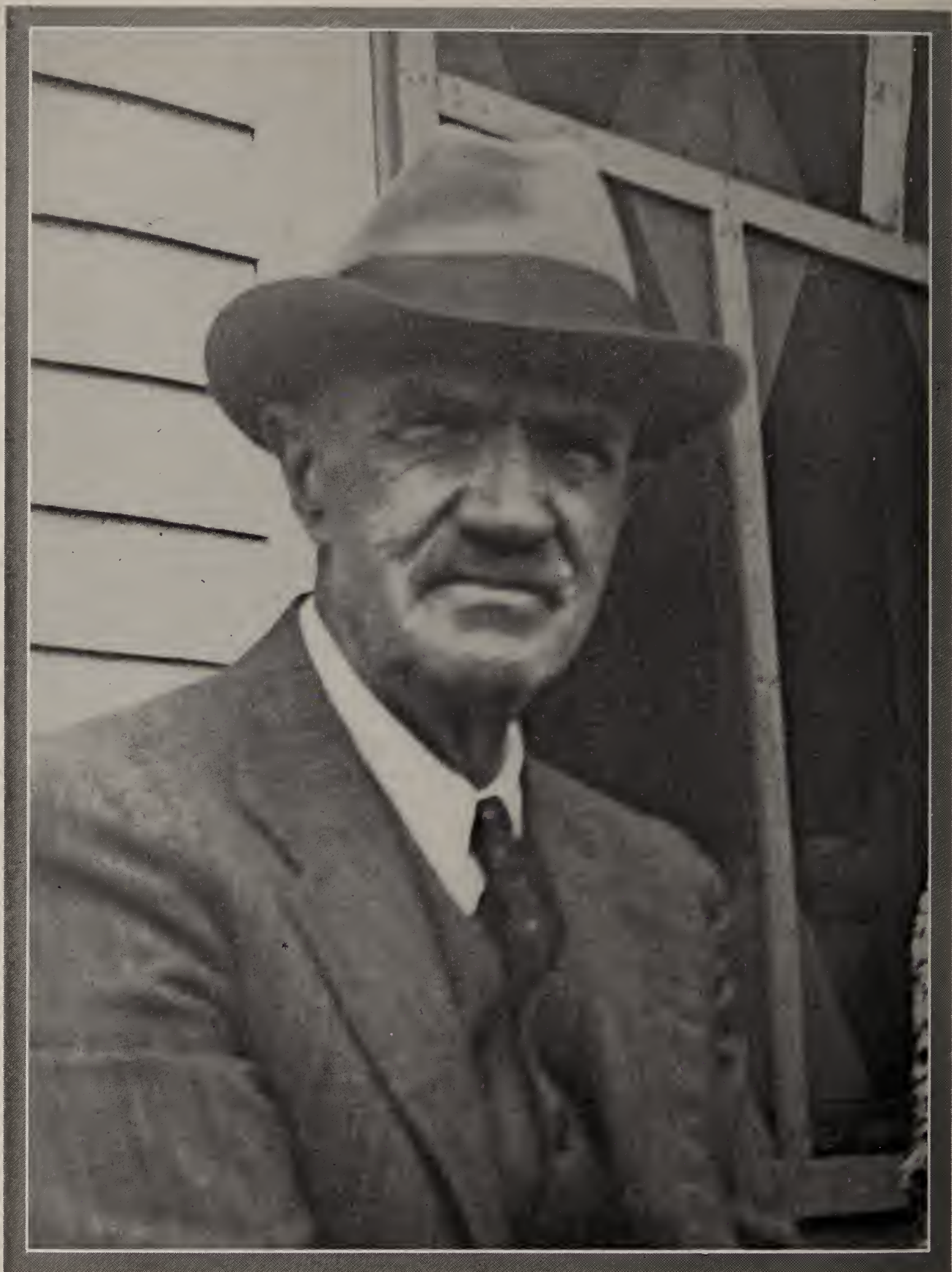
try, thirty-five years of age, and for five years he worked as a hired hand on farms owned by Lewis S. Bean. He later took a half interest in Mr. Bean's farm which was located at Creasy Ridge. He finally acquired the entire acreage in his own name, but later traded this land for a farm outside Mapleton. There he cultivated two hundred acres, and began shipping as well as growing potatoes. He was a loyal Republican, and was active in the affairs of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Alexander H. Christie was twice married. He married, first, Jennie Brewer, and of this union there were three children: 1. Ralph H., of whom further. 2. Alice, who married Ralph A. Hoyle. 3. Harold, who married Mary Smith. They have one son, Harold, Jr. Jennie (Brewer) Christie died, and Alexander H. Christie married, second, Gertrude Hammond. They became the parents of a son, Lewis.

Ralph Hanford Christie received his preliminary education in the public schools of Presque Isle, and later in the public schools of New Brunswick, Canada. At the age of fourteen years he became associated with his father in farming at Mapleton, and this association continued for the duration of the life of the elder Mr. Christie. Ralph H. Christie has since continued the operation of the farm independently. During this period a total of one hundred and ninety-five acres of land was acquired, in addition to the original holdings of Alexander H. Christie.

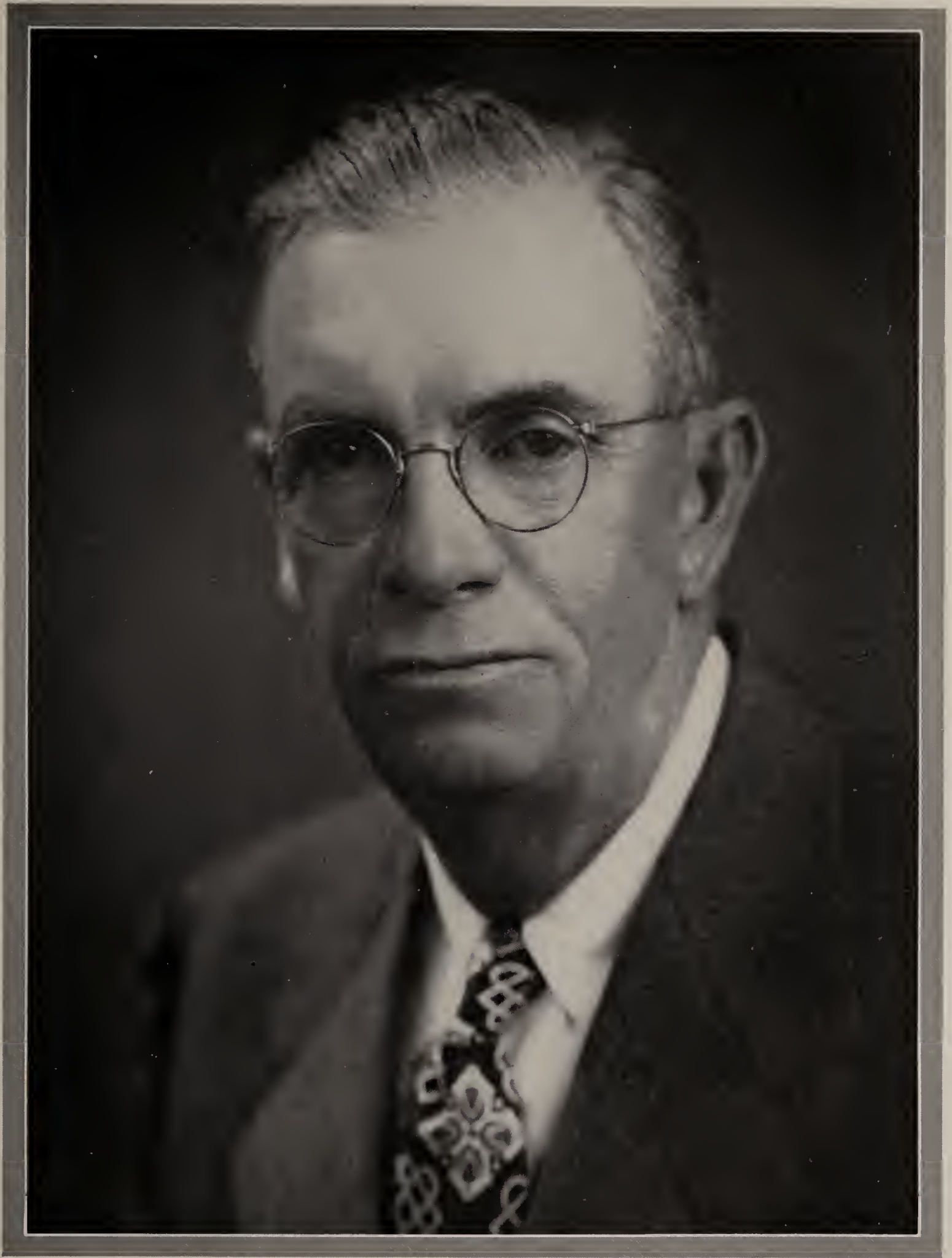
Mr. Christie is a Republican in his politics, and active in the counsels of his party. He was elected to the board of selectmen of the Town of Mapleton in March, 1938, and he has held that office continuously to date. Since 1939, he has been chairman of the board of selectmen. Mr. Christie is affiliated fraternally with





*Alex Christie*





*Ralph H. Christie*



the Knights of Pythias, Theodore Roosevelt Lodge No. 14. He attends the Baptist Church. His favorite pastime is civic work, and he is president of the Mapleton Community Association, which recently built a community hall.

On August 20, 1938, Ralph Hanford Christie married Luella Ridley of Springvale, daughter of W. True and Addie E. (Goodwin) Ridley. Mr. and Mrs. Christie are the parents of one daughter, Sandra Jane, who was born March 18, 1940, and is now attending public school in Mapleton.

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#### **CUTTS, Cecil**

As superintendent of schools of Saco and Old Orchard Beach, Cecil Cutts has performed an important service in the realm of education. To his present position he has brought the benefits of a broad background of educational work to the schools of his native state of Maine.

Mr. Cutts was born February 6, 1902, in Portland, son of George W. and Grace Abbie (Jewett) Cutts. His father, after many years in the plumbing and heating business in Portland, died October 20, 1948; his mother passed away January 7, 1947.

Cecil Cutts attended Portland schools, and after graduation from Deering High School, entered the University of Maine. There he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1925 and his Master of Arts in 1940. Upon completing his college work, Mr. Cutts was engaged as physical education director and coach of sports at Brewer High School, where he remained for two years. From 1927 to 1932 he was director of athletics at Morse High School in Bath. His next service was as principal of Hartland Academy in Hartland, where he continued for

eleven years until 1943. From 1943 to 1945 he was in the Army Air Force as a first lieutenant. Returning to civilian life at the close of World War II, Mr. Cutts became superintendent of schools at Oakland, Maine, in 1945, there remaining until he accepted his present position as superintendent of schools of Saco and Old Orchard Beach in July, 1948.

Here he has performed valuable service not only to the school system, but to the numerous organizations with which he is associated. He belongs to the Maine Superintendents Association, the Maine Teachers Association, the New England Superintendents Association, the National Education Association and is a past president of the Kennebec Valley School Masters Club. He is a member also of the American Legion Post in Oakland, the Saco-Biddeford Rotary Club, the Congregational Church and Corinthian Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Hartland.

Cecil Cutts married, September 4, 1926, at Harrington, Helen Drisko, daughter of Melville Drisko of Harrington. Their daughter, Ann Cutts, born December 13, 1928, in Bath, Maine, was graduated from Williams High School in Oakland, then entered the University of Maine.

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#### **GALLAGHER, Thomas Francis**

Thomas Francis Gallagher, owner of Arrowhead Lodge at Maples, Maine, and manager of the Montgomery Ward & Company department store at Portland, was born October 30, 1910 at Butte City, Montana. He is the son of the late William Gallagher and Mary Veronica (Hoban) Gallagher. William Gallagher, who was a native of Scranton, Pennsylvania, was an accountant by profession but, being of an adventurous temperament, he also had a fling at ranching, mining, and



steel work during his lifetime. He died in 1940. Mary Veronica (Hoban) Gallagher, who is a native of Olyphant, Pennsylvania, now makes her home at Moscow, Pennsylvania.

Thomas F. Gallagher is a graduate of Dunmore High School in Dunmore, Pennsylvania, and of the University of Pittsburgh, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1929. From 1929 to 1933 he was associated with the Sears, Roebuck & Company store in Reading, Pennsylvania. Since 1933 Mr. Gallagher has been identified with the Montgomery Ward organization in various capacities, and in 1946 he became manager of the company's Portland store. Mr. Gallagher is a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. He is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church at Bridgton.

On December 31, 1937 at Scranton, Pennsylvania, he was married to Barbara Elizabeth McDonald, the daughter of John E. and Delia McDonald. Mrs. Gallagher is a graduate of the Oak Hill private school for girls at Philadelphia. Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher have four children: 1. Jeanne, born at Huntington, West Virginia, October 29, 1938. 2. William, born October 30, 1940, also at Huntington. 3. Ann, born January 21, 1945 at Kingston, New York. 4. Robert, born April 10, 1946 at Hurley, New York.

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**MACDONALD, Dr. Roderick A.**

Among the younger members of the staff of the Maine Osteopathic Hospital at Portland is Dr. Roderick A. Macdonald, who engages in the general practice of osteopathy, with offices at Peak's Island and Portland. Dr. Macdonald was born at Calais, February 23, 1913, the son of the Rev. Roderick A. and Annie E. (Smith) Macdonald. His father, who is

now pastor of the Kittery Point Congregational Church, was prior to that the pastor of the Warren Congregational Church at Cumberland Mills for twenty-six years. He is a native of Halifax, in Nova Scotia, and his wife, who died in 1934, was a native of Province of New Brunswick, Canada.

Dr. Macdonald was a small boy when his family moved, in 1921, from his native Calais to Westbrook. There he attended the public schools, graduating from the Westbrook High School. He also studied at Hebron Academy and at the University of Maine, from which he was graduated in 1932. After attending Duke University for a year, he took his professional training at the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery and the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy, graduating from the latter institution with the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy. Dr. Macdonald also attended Boston University in 1938. He has a general practice and maintains offices both at Peak's Island and in Portland. He is a member of the staff of the Maine Osteopathic Hospital of Portland, and belongs to both the Maine Osteopathic Association and the American Osteopathic Association. Dr. Macdonald is a member of the Portland Club. He belongs to the Woodfords Congregational Church. His hobbies include chess, photography, and magic.

On November 18, 1939 at Milton, Massachusetts, Dr. Macdonald was married to Doris E. Minott of Milton, the daughter of Leon A. Minott. Dr. and Mrs. Macdonald have a daughter, Constance Ann Macdonald, born in Portland, July 5, 1946.

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**ROBERTSON, James E.**

James E. Robertson, vice president and general manager of E. L. Watkins &





*Elwood A. Neal*



Company of Portland, Maine's largest dry cleansing concern, was born May 16, 1894 at Chambly Canton in the Province of Quebec, Canada. His father was a printer by trade, and in 1897 his parents moved to West Somerville, Massachusetts. Here Mr. Robertson attended the public schools and in 1914 graduated from the Somerville High School. In 1916 he graduated from Worcester Academy at Worcester, Massachusetts, and then matriculated at Dartmouth College, where he was a member of the class of 1920. In 1917 he entered the United States Army for service in World War I and was attached to the 88th Division, Field Artillery, serving from 1917 to 1919. He graduated from the Saumur Officers Training School at Saumur, France. After receiving his discharge from the army in 1919 Mr. Robertson returned to Dartmouth to complete his college education, which had been interrupted by war service. Although a member of the class of 1920 he actually graduated in 1921, and in both the 1920 and 1921 football seasons was captain of the Dartmouth team. He also received the coveted nomination as College Great All-American Halfback. After his graduation, Mr. Robertson served as assistant football coach at Dartmouth in 1922-23 and in 1923 as head coach at Oglethorpe University in Georgia. In 1924 he became associated with the C. G. Howes Company, a Boston dry cleansing concern, with which he was identified for the next ten years. During the following seven years Mr. Robertson managed cleansing concerns in Keene, New Hampshire, and Providence, Rhode Island. In 1941 he came to Portland, where he is vice president and general manager of the well-known firm of E. L. Watkins & Company, Maine's largest dry cleansers for over sixty years. Mr.

Robertson is a member of the Woodfords Club, the Portland Kiwanis Club, and the Dartmouth Club of Portland. He is a member of the State Street Congregational Church of Portland. His hobbies are gardening and woodworking.

He married Mary W. Pattee of Enfield, New Hampshire, the daughter of J. W. and Marie (Rutter) Pattee, the marriage taking place at Long Beach, Pine Point, Maine. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson have a daughter, Jane Robertson, born January 14, 1925 at Newton, Massachusetts. She is a graduate of the Hope High School of Providence, Rhode Island, and is a Registered Nurse, a graduate of the Children's Hospital in Boston. During World War II she served as a cadet nurse in the United States Army. On May 17, 1947, at Brookline, Massachusetts, she was married to Sergeant Luthene Gilman Kimball of Brookline, Massachusetts, a graduate of Bowdoin College.

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#### **NEAL, Elwood A.**

Widely known among the people of Gorham and this region of Maine, Elwood A. Neal has conducted the Neal Funeral Home in this community since 1929.

Mr. Neal was born November 11, 1905, in Danvers, Massachusetts, son of Charles S. and Zulah (Norcross) Neal. His father, born in Gardiner, was for many years a funeral director in Biddeford. He died August 6, 1947. The mother, born in Monmouth, died on December 15, 1939. Elwood A. Neal attended Emery public school in Biddeford, and was graduated from Thornton Academy in Saco. He also attended Wentworth Institute in Boston and for his professional studies, the New England Institute of Anatomy and Embalming, where he completed his work with the class of 1927. In that year

he became associated with his father, who had conducted the Neal Funeral Home in Biddeford until that time. Two years later in 1929, they moved the establishment to Gorham, where the elder Mr. Neal was active until 1942. Since that time, Elwood A. Neal has continued the business independently and has been highly successful in his efforts.

In addition to his own business undertakings, Mr. Neal is a past president of the Maine Funeral Directors Association, in which he is also a member of the board of directors. He is a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau, the Portland Masonic Club and the Gorham Fire Department. For three years he served as a member of the budget committee of the Town of Gorham. In the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, he belongs to Harmony Lodge, Gorham, and is a past patron of the local chapter of the Order of Eastern Star. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, being a Past Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment of the State of Maine. He is also a past officer in all branches of Odd Fellowship in Gorham, and is currently an officer of the Grand Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Maine. He is a past president of the Gorham Kiwanis Club, and a past master of the local Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry. He is intensely interested in Boy Scout work and does considerable fishing and hunting in the Maine woods. He is a member of the First Parish Congregational Church in Gorham, in which he has served on several committees.

Elwood A. Neal married, in June, 1928, at Saco, Doris Trewargy of Augusta, daughter of Paul W. and Edith (Newcomb) Trewargy. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Paul Millard, born September 15, 1929, in Au-

gusta, graduated from Gorham High School and the New England Institute of Anatomy and Embalming, now associated with his father in the operation of the Neal Funeral Home; he married Barbara Stanley, of Bar Harbor. 2. Elwood A., Jr., born August 26, 1931, in Gorham, graduated from the local high school. 3. Philip Charles, born January 16, 1933, in Gorham.

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#### **FARNSWORTH, Frederick DeWitt**

Long an engineer with considerable administrative and public experience, and a pioneer among city managers in the state of Maine, Frederick DeWitt Farnsworth is now city manager of the city of Rockland and is helping to maintain that community's position in the industrial, canning and fishing world. He has also had considerable experience in housing administration, a valuable background for one coping with the post-World War II problems confronting Rockland and numerous other communities of Modern Maine. Mr. Farnsworth, in his avocational life, is a farmer and orchardist. He was with the Canadian Army in World War I.

Born on May 31, 1885, at Hampton, Nova Scotia, Mr. Farnsworth is the son of the late Marvin P. and Abbie M. (Smith) Farnsworth. His family is an old one in North America, having first settled at Groton, Massachusetts. The first American progenitor of the family was Mathias Farnsworth. In 1755, at the time of the expulsion of the Acadians, three Farnsworth brothers went to the valley of the Annapolis River, in Nova Scotia, and settled the family there. Hampton, where Rockland's city manager was born, is a Bay of Fundy community in that valley.

Frederick Farnsworth was educated in Nova Scotian public schools. He is a



graduate of the Hampton High School and the Halifax Technical School. He had had engineering experience with the Canadian Pacific Railway before entering the Canadian Army in World War I. He went overseas with that Army, the famed Canadian Expeditionary Force, and served as a warrant officer in the Engineer Corps. He was in Europe from 1915 to 1919. After the war Mr. Farnsworth became division engineer with the Nova Scotia Highway Department, which he served until 1923. In 1924 and 1925 he was in the contracting business at Annapolis Royal, near his birthplace.

In 1926 Mr. Farnsworth made the crossing into Maine, thus completing the Canada-United States round-trip begun by the family one hundred and seventy-one years before. In January, 1933, he became a naturalized citizen of the United States. When he first arrived here he became resident engineer for the Maine State Highway Commission, and this position he held in 1926 and until April 1, 1927. On that latter date Mr. Farnsworth was appointed town manager of Fort Fairfield, and in this capacity began the career that has made him known throughout Maine as a practitioner and exponent of the city manager system of city government. He was first town manager of Fort Fairfield and the fourth holding such a position in the entire State. On January 1, 1932, he resigned the Fort Fairfield office to accept appointment as city manager of Brewer.

From January, 1941, to May, 1943, Mr. Farnsworth was city manager of Bangor. With the United States at war and civilian housing having become an extreme problem, he resigned his Bangor position to become housing manager of the Federal Public Housing Authority projects in Bath, Maine. Later, he was made execu-

tive director of the Bath Housing Authority, that city having taken over the Federal operations. He held this office until January 1, 1946, when he became city manager of Rockland. He continues to hold his state of Maine license as a registered professional engineer. Mr. Farnsworth's agricultural activities are centered at Swanville, where he has sixty acres of land, twenty of which are devoted to apples. He has one thousand feet of lake shore frontage there. Mr. Farnsworth is a member of the Maine Association of Engineers, the Engineering Institute of Canada, the International City Managers Association, the Rotary Club of Rockland, and the Congregational Church. He is a Republican.

On June 17, 1926, at St. John, New Brunswick, Mr. Farnsworth married Mary Bigelow Cox of Kingsport, Nova Scotia. Mrs. Farnsworth is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Isaac N. Cox of that Canadian province. Mr. and Mrs. Farnsworth reside at 33 Grove Street, Rockland; Mr. Farnsworth's official address is City Hall, Rockland.

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#### **LOVELL, John Wallace**

Since the days he became a teacher in 1931, John Wallace Lovell has been active in fields wherein education, welfare programs, rehabilitation, and related types of activity have been of paramount importance. Today he combines the results of his experience in those fields in a responsibility which is of the greatest value to the state, as warden of the Maine State Prison at Thomaston. Behind Mr. Lovell, too, is a long and distinguished record as an infantry commander in the Pacific Theater of Operations in World War II.

Mr. Lovell was born at Lewiston on July 19, 1907, the son of Harry and Gertrude K. (Conley) Lovell. He was gradu-



ated from the Lewiston High School in 1925 and from the Abbott School at Farmington in 1927. In 1929 he was at the University of New Hampshire and in 1930 at Bates College.

Mr. Lovell began his career as a teacher and athletic coach at the Bridgton Academy, North Bridgton. He was there from 1931 to 1933. When he left the academy he went on the staff of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, first at Gray, then at Augusta. In 1935, he resigned from the FERA to become associated with the Department of Health and Welfare of the state of Maine, at Augusta, where he remained until 1939. For the next two years, until February 24, 1941, he was the State Parole Officer, the office in which he made his bow as criminologist. The 1941 date marks Mr. Lovell's entry in the military service in World War II. He began as a second lieutenant in the Maine National Guard, 43rd Division, 103rd Infantry, and then was inducted into the Army of the United States at Camp Blanding, Florida, where he was made cadre officer. His combat service was in the Pacific Theater of Operations, where he rose to lieutenant colonel commanding the Third Battalion, 307th Infantry, 77th Division, which saw action at Guam, Leyte, Kerami, Retto Islands, Ie Shima, and Okinawa. Mr. Lovell was seriously wounded by shell fragments at Okinawa on May 6, 1945, and was hospitalized for months afterward. He was separated from the active service on March 12, 1946, the holder of numerous decorations for distinguished service.

In 1948 Governor Horace A. Hildreth appointed the former State Parole Officer to the post of warden of the Maine State Prison and Mr. Lovell has since been making a reputation through his progressive work as the prison's administra-

tor. The institution was built in 1823 and 1824. The warden is active in Thomaston's civic life and also in veterans' circles. He is legislative officer of the Norway Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at Norway, and past commander of the William I. Pembroke Post, American Legion, at Harrison. He is a communicant of St. Bernard's Roman Catholic Church, at Thomaston.

The warden and Gladys W. Witter of Belton, Texas, and Harrison, Maine, were married at Norway on August 11, 1932. They are the parents of Patricia Ann Lovell, who was born on March 27, 1937, at Augusta. The Lovell family home is on Main Street, Thomaston.

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#### **BROOKS, Leah Davis**

Two institutions with which the name of Mrs. Leah Davis Brooks is associated are the Davis Funeral Home at Thomaston and the Davis Funeral Home at Rockland. Through her work with these, as well as through her activities in music and in civic and war work, Mrs. Brooks has become one of Maine's leading citizens. She is one of the leaders in the state's professional organization in the funeral directors' field and in the Order of the Eastern Star. The widow of Joseph Russell Davis, son of the founder of the Davis Funeral Home in Thomaston, Mrs. Brooks is associated in the administration of this institution and the one at Rockland with her present husband, E. Douglas Brooks, with whom she founded the Davis Funeral Home in Rockland in 1946.

Mrs. Brooks was born Leah Freeman, the daughter of Elmer W. and Nettie (Upham) Freeman, the former now a retired sea captain. Her birth occurred at Thomaston on November 3, 1905. In 1923, she was graduated from the Rockland High School and in 1924 from the Shaw

Business College in Portland. She has also studied at the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston, majoring in the piano. In 1939 and 1940 she also studied at the New England Institute of Anatomy and Embalming in Boston, from which she was graduated in 1940. In May of that year she took and passed the examinations given by the state of Maine Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors and since then has held the license issued by that board.

On September 19, 1924, Leah Freeman was married to Joseph Russell Davis at Thomaston. To this marriage were born a son and daughter: Robert James Davis, on November 21, 1931, in 1949 a student at Hebron Academy, and Linda Ellen Davis, on February 24, 1942. Mr. Davis, the son of Albert Dunbar and Margaret (Haley) Davis, was born at St. George, Maine, on September 26, 1901. He was graduated from the Thomaston High School and the New England Institute of Anatomy and Embalming, and was active throughout his working life in the Davis Funeral Home in Thomaston. He was a prominent citizen of Thomaston and active in the Masonic order. In February, 1945, Mr. Davis went on a smelt fishing trip with his lifelong friend, Edwin French of Camden, Maine. A blizzard roared up, their craft capsized and both perished, the catastrophe saddening the entire Maine population, among whom both men were well-known.

Mrs. Brooks has been active in the Davis Funeral Home at Thomaston since 1924. Until 1940 her activity was chiefly on the administrative or office end of the business, but since 1940 she has done professional as well as administrative work in the Home, which holds an outstanding position among institutions of its kind in Maine. It was founded in 1882 at St.

George by Albert Dunbar Davis, who died in 1935. In 1905 the founder moved the business to Thomaston; in June, 1941, it was moved to its present location at 22 Knox Street, and is prominent as one of Maine's outstanding funeral homes.

On October 13, 1945, Mrs. Leah Freeman Davis was married to E. Douglas Brooks in Boston. Mr. Brooks was born at Port Henry, New York, on March 16, 1910, and was educated at the Port Henry High School, the Irving Preparatory School, at Union College in Schenectady, New York, and at Middlebury College in Vermont. The last-named awarded him the degree of Bachelor of Science. He is also a licensed funeral director. In World War II Mr. Brooks was a specialist first class in the United States Coast Guard, from which he was honorably discharged in October, 1945. Prominent in Masonry, he holds the Thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and is a member of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is past president of the Lions Club of Thomaston, of which he was first king lion. He also belongs to the American Legion, the Rockland Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Rockland Golf Club, and the Maine Funeral Directors Association, of which he is chairman of the membership committee. In July, 1946, Mr. Brooks joined his wife in establishing the Davis Funeral Home at 558 Main Street, Rockland. The couple now jointly manages both institutions, maintaining residence in the funeral home in Thomaston.

During World War II Mrs. Brooks was chairman of the women's divisions of the civilian defense program in Thomaston. Also, she was active in the work of the American Red Cross. She has long taken a leading part in Thomaston's civic



affairs, and is especially noted for the work she has done to promote public interest in music. She is Past Matron of the Thomaston Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and is Past District Deputy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Maine, Order of the Eastern Star. Professionally, she is on the board of directors of the Maine Funeral Directors Association and is a member of the National Funeral Directors Association. Two other organizations to which she belongs are the Rubinstein Club, a music group, and the Rockland Golf Club. She worships in the Federated Church, and is a Republican.

#### **WALDRON, Joseph Goold**

Since May, 1938, Joseph Goold Waldron has been president and general manager of J. E. Goold & Company of Portland, the wholesale drug company which was founded by his great-uncle, Joseph E. Goold, more than sixty years ago. In addition to being wholesale druggists, J. E. Goold & Company are dealers in toilet articles, candy, pipes, tobacco, cigars, paints, oils, and varnishes. Under Mr. Waldron's able management, the company is thoroughly modern while continuing to maintain the fine standards of the past.

He was born in Portland December 18, 1905, the only son of the late Frank S. Waldron and Alice (Pride) Waldron. Frank S. Waldron was president of J. E. Goold & Company from 1905 until his death in May, 1938. Joseph Goold Waldron attended the Portland grade schools and Deering High School, and then finished his secondary education at the New York Military Academy, of which he is a graduate. He then studied at Brown University and completed his education at the Boston University School of Business Administration. Meantime, during

his summer vacations while attending preparatory school and college he worked in various departments of the J. E. Goold Company, and upon finishing his course in business administration in 1929 he became the clerk of the corporation. Mr. Waldron has worked in all the departments of the business, as a salesman and in other capacities. He became president in 1938, and he also serves as general manager.

It was in 1888 that this historic Maine business was founded by Mr. Waldron's great-uncle, Joseph E. Goold, who was a registered druggist. It was incorporated in 1895 as J. E. Goold & Company, with Joseph E. Goold as president and Arthur B. Hodsdon as the first treasurer. Joseph E. Goold died in 1905 and was succeeded by Frank S. Waldron, father of the subject of this sketch. Frank S. Waldron was also a registered druggist. He served as president until his death, which occurred May 13, 1938. In July, 1928, J. E. Goold & Company purchased from Brewer & Company the Portland wholesale drug branch of Brewer & Company of Worcester, Massachusetts, and took over its business, together with its entire personnel. Aside from Mr. Waldron, its president and general manager, the present officers of J. E. Goold & Company are: Clement F. Robinson, vice president; Horace W. Clark, treasurer; and Julia E. Flaherty, clerk of the corporation, who has been associated with the company as a faithful employee for many years. During his service in the United States Army during World War II, Mr. Waldron appointed an executive committee to carry on the responsibilities of the business, which they did during the twenty-two months of his military service.

As far back as 1930 Mr. Waldron had served six months at Fort Benning, Geor-





Joseph S. Waldron



gia, as a second lieutenant at the United States Army Infantry School and he returned to Fort Benning the following year from February, 1931 to June. In September, 1942 Mr. Waldron, being a member of the United States Army Reserve Corps, was called to active duty with the rank of captain and was assigned to Hunter Field at Savannah, Georgia, where he served with the United States Army Air Corps for twenty-two months. He is a member of the Reserve Officers Association.

Mr. Waldron is a life member of the Maine Pharmaceutical Association, and a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and also the Maine and United States Chambers of Commerce, and the Maine Publicity Bureau. He belongs to the Cumberland Club, the Portland Country Club and the Young Men's Christian Association, and he and his family are members of the State Street Congregational Church.

On March 19, 1931 at Columbus, Georgia, while at Fort Benning, Joseph Goold Waldron was married to Dorothy Kilgore, daughter of the late Rufus and Elizabeth (Rodgers) Kilgore. Mr. and Mrs. Waldron have two children: 1. Elizabeth Alice, now in her senior year at The Waynflete School in Portland. She was born January 23, 1932. 2. William G., born in Portland, May 29, 1936, a pupil at Butler School.

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#### **LAROCHELLE, Joseph Raoul, M.D.**

Joseph Raoul Larochelle, M.D., has during his long career made a secure name for himself among the people of Biddeford. Dr. Larochelle, who is a native of Canada, has achieved an exceptional success in the medical field, and is past president of the York County Medical

Society and former chief of staff of the obstetrical and gynecology department of the Webber Hospital in Biddeford. He has also served in civic capacity, having been city physician of Biddeford, and has been prominently identified with banking.

Dr. Larochelle was born March 14, 1881, in the Province of Quebec, Canada, son of Herode Larochelle, a Quebec farmer, who died in 1915, and Claire Jean Larochelle. Extensively educated both in this country and abroad, Dr. Larochelle graduated in 1901 from St. Anne de la Pasatiere College with the degree of Bachelor of Letters, and in 1903 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Deciding to be a physician, he entered Laval University of Quebec, from which institution he was graduated in 1907 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He took postgraduate work at Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, and at the New York Hospital, in 1913, then went to France for additional studies in the Ne-caire Hospital and at St. Vincent's. In 1925 Dr. Larochelle returned to St. Vincent's for extra courses.

Dr. Larochelle's practice in Biddeford dates from the completion of his studies at the University of Quebec, for he began practice in the Maine community in 1907. He has remained there since, and has consistently engaged in a general practice. For many years he was chief of staff of the obstetrical and gynecology department of the Webber Hospital at Biddeford. In addition to being past president of the York County Medical Society, Dr. Larochelle has been a member of the American Medical Association, the Maine Medical Association, and has served his city for ten years as city physician of Biddeford.

During World War I, he was chairman of the Medical Advisory Board, and re-



ceived a certificate from the government for his good work at Biddeford.

Fraternally he is a member of the lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and he was for ten years physician in the latter lodge. Dr. Larochelle has also belonged to the Society of St. Jean de Baptiste. He is a communicant of the St. André Roman Catholic Church, and a member of the Biddeford-Saco Country Club.

Dr. Joseph Raoul Larochelle married twice, his wives having been sisters. His first wife, Jeannette Roussin, daughter of William E. and Elda (Cordeau) Roussin, bore him two children: 1. J. Raoul, born in September, 1919. He is a graduate of Assumption College at Worcester, Massachusetts, and of Boston College with the degree of Bachelor of Science. He thereafter attended McGill University, Montreal, and the College of Surgery and Dentistry of Montreal University. Dr. J. Raoul Larochelle is now practicing in Biddeford. 2. J. Guy, born in May, 1921, and a graduate of Assumption College in Worcester. He received the degree of Bachelor of Science from Holy Cross College, and is now a student at Montreal University.

Jeannette (Roussin) Larochelle died, and Dr. Larochelle married, second, her sister, Adrienne Roussin, who passed away in November, 1928. Dr. Larochelle's address is 42 Bacon Street in Biddeford.

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#### DECARY, Msgr. Arthur M., P.D.

In the service of the church, Msgr. Arthur M. Decary, P.D., pastor of St. Andre's Church, Biddeford, has been notable for his priestly zeal in promoting the sanctification of souls and faithful de-

votion to the advancement of works of religion, education, and charity.

Monsignor Decary was born at St. Laurent, near Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, on October 12, 1872, son of Charles and Helen (Valois) Decary. His father, also a native of St. Laurent, was a farmer; his mother was born at Pointe Claire, Province of Quebec. Having received his early education in the local parish schools, he attended St. Laurent College, Montreal, from 1889 to 1891, after which he spent three years of study in the College of Montreal. From 1894 to 1896 he was a student at the Seminary of Philosophy, Montreal, before entering the Grand Seminary in the same city, from which he was graduated with the class of 1899.

After his ordination in St. James Cathedral, Montreal, in 1899, the first appointment of Arthur M. Decary was as curate of St. John the Baptist Church in Brunswick, Maine, where he remained from 1899 to 1902. He then was appointed to St. Augustine's Church at Augusta, from which he went, in 1904, to the pastorate of St. Louis' Church at Fort Kent. Since 1919 Msgr. Decary has been the beloved pastor of St. Andre's Church, Biddeford. He has made the most of the opportunities of three decades in the several fields in which his parish renders leadership: religious faith, material administration, education, and charity. It is the wish of every parishioner that God will continue to bless him with many more years of fruitful stewardship as a dispenser of His mysteries.

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#### CENTER, Harry B.

Harry B. Center has been associated with the automotive business throughout all his mature years. His experience in this field ranges from machinist to dis-





Irvine K. Clark



tributor of such cars as the Dodge, Plymouth, and Cadillac. A native of Biddeford, he has never found it necessary to seek opportunity elsewhere. Few men are more optimistic boosters of the advantages of the city, and in his activities he exemplifies the characteristics of sound and loyal citizenship. His public spirit has been recognized and approved by election to the Board of Aldermen, wherein he has promoted and supported forward-looking projects and municipal good government.

Harry B. Center was born in Biddeford, on November 18, 1891, son of William W. and Elizabeth (Bowdoin) Center. His mother was a native of Biddeford; his father, born in California, came to Biddeford as a young man and engaged in farming. The parents encouraged their son to acquire an education, but after attending the local public schools, instead of going to college, he became an automobile mechanic in a town garage. Although there were not very many automobiles in use at that time, there were numerous types, and young Center learned far more about cars than he would have under present-day conditions. At any rate, he has the reputation of being able to make any car go that can hold together.

In 1925, Mr. Center established his own garage and service station. Successful in this endeavor, he added the distribution of the Dodge and Plymouth automobiles. Later he secured the agency for the Cadillac car and Dodge trucks. The first part of his present establishment was built in 1925. At all times the plant and equipment has been kept up-to-date. In personal activities, Mr. Center has long been active in civic affairs, and he has served for two years on the Board of Aldermen, city of Biddeford.

Fraternally he is affiliated with the Biddeford Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Lodge No. 47, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; and Biddeford Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He attends the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Harry E. Center married (first), in Biddeford, Edith Scott, who died in 1919. He married (second) Alice E. Cluff of Kennebunkport, daughter of Herbert and Jennie (Foley) Cluff. Mr. and Mrs. Center are the parents of four children: 1. Phyllis, born in Biddeford, a graduate of Biddeford High School; married Mellon Potter of Portland, and they have a daughter, Joan. 2. Earl, a graduate of Biddeford High School; currently connected with Fay and Scott Machine Company; he is married, and has two children: Judy and Donald. 3. Eileen, born in Biddeford, February 4, 1924, a graduate of Biddeford High School; she married Charles E. Nadeau of Biddeford, and they are the parents of two children: Denis and Jane. 4. Robert Henry, born July 25, 1926; a graduate of Biddeford High School; now associated with his father in the motor car business.

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#### **CLARK, Irvine K.**

Agriculture has been the chief business interest of Irvine K. Clark of Washburn, Aroostook County, throughout his life. As a potato grower and progressive citizen, he is well-known in his section. Born at Presque Isle, on October 21, 1909, he is the son of Willard E. and Ellen (Briggs) Clark. Reared on his father's farm, he attended local schools and was graduated from the Presque Isle High School.

For twenty-two years Irvine K. Clark has operated his own place, and he purchased his present farm on Woodland Road, near Washburn, in 1939. Here he

manages three hundred and thirty acres, cultivating about one hundred and sixty-five of them, his principal crop being potatoes. His establishment is known as the "Lone Pine Farm."

A Republican in his political allegiance, Mr. Clark serves Washburn as a member of the Town Council, a post to which he was elected in 1946. He figures prominently in the Washburn Rotary Club, and is affiliated with Washburn Lodge No. 193, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Caribou Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and the Houlton Commandery, Knights Templar. He belongs to the Presque Isle Fish and Game Club, and attends the Methodist Church. He gives play to a certain mechanical bent by making things useful and ornamental in his own home shop.

At Fort Fairfield, June 7, 1928, Irvine K. Clark married Muriel Smith, of this place, daughter of Henry F. and Alice (Knox) Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Clark are the parents of the following children: 1. Loretta Joan, born August 8, 1930, who married Milton Crouse, and is the mother of a son, Daniel Dean. 2. Joy Ardith, born June 24, 1934, a student in the local schools. 3. Jay Irvine, born August 13, 1940. 4. Jim Allen, born December 21, 1945.

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#### **BRACKETT, Joseph W.**

Although a relative newcomer to Brunswick, Joseph W. Brackett has rapidly entered into the life of the city and contributes to its progress and betterment. As a mortician of experience and integrity, he serves the community exceptionally well, his funeral home and equipment being of the most modern and complete character.

Joseph W. Brackett was born at Berwick, on October 24, 1909, son of the late

Joseph B. and Sarah (Winn) Brackett. Prior to his death in 1938, his father was a partner of the Brackett and Shaw Company, of Somersworth, New Hampshire, machinery distributors. After attending grammar schools, Joseph W. Brackett was graduated from the Fort Pierce High School, of Fort Pierce, Florida. Musically inclined, and gifted with an exceptionally fine voice, he studied at the New England Conservatory of Music, at Boston, under the noted vocal teacher, Frederick Lamb.

To prepare himself for a business career, Mr. Brackett went to the New England Institute of Embalming, at Boston, where he received his diploma with the class graduated in 1934. From that year to 1936, he was associated with Leon Tucker, funeral director of Milford, New Hampshire. From 1936 to 1944 he was with Dillingham and Son, at Auburn. In 1944 he purchased the Laws Funeral Home in Brunswick, where he has since carried on with noteworthy success. He has kept pace with modern developments in his profession, and has acquired equipment of the best available during and since World War II.

Mr. Brackett is a former president of the Maine Funeral Directors Association, and member of the Maine State Funeral Directors Association, and the National Funeral Directors Association. In local organizations he is a member of the Brunswick Rotary Club, and attends the First Parish Congregational Church. Fraternally, Mr. Brackett is affiliated with St. John's Lodge No. 51, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of South Berwick; is a Thirty-second degree Mason, member of both the York and Scottish rite bodies; Lewiston Commandery, Knights Templar; and Kora Temple, at Lewiston, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.



At Berwick, in 1933, Joseph W. Brackett married Barbara G. Scruton, of this city, daughter of Hervey and Edith (Roberts) Scruton. Mr. and Mrs. Brackett are the parents of two sons: 1. Lawrence, born at Nashua, New Hampshire, in July, 1935. 2. Philip A., born at Auburn, July 21, 1938.

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**THOMPSON, Philip Pickering, Jr., M.D.**

Born in Portland, on May 11, 1917, Dr. Thompson is the son of Dr. Philip Pickering Thompson, and Mrs. Jennie (Means) Thompson. His father, also a native of Portland, was born April 29, 1881, son of Frederick W. and Lily (Pickering) Thompson. He is a Bachelor of Arts, Dartmouth College, 1902, and Doctor of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University, class of 1906. He was a physician and surgeon in Portland from 1908 to 1948, giving four decades of exceptionally skilled service to humanity. He is a member of the American College of Surgeons, and the New England Surgical Society. He married, June 19, 1915, Jennie Means, and they are the parents of three children: John; Jane; and Philip, of this record.

Dr. Philip P. Thompson, Jr., prepared for higher education in the Portland grammar and high schools, being graduated from the latter. Matriculating at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, he was graduated with the degree Bachelor of Arts, class of 1938. He enjoyed a number of campus activities and was popular with classmates, with many of whom he retains contacts. Dr. Thompson entered the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, where he received the Doctor of Medicine degree in 1941. He had been an intern at the Massachusetts General Hospital, at Boston, when he enlisted in the United States Army Medical Corps, and served throughout World War

II as a lieutenant and captain. For two and a half years his round of duty was in the European Theater of War. Currently he is a major in the Reserve Officers Corps.

Honorably discharged from the service in 1946, Dr. Thompson became associated in a practice of his profession with his father in Portland. He is rated highly by clients and colleagues, and furthers his knowledge and contacts with memberships in the Maine State Medical Association, the American Medical Association, and the Portland Medical Club. He attends the State Street Congregational Church.

At Portland, on June 14, 1941, Dr. Philip P. Thompson, Jr., married Mary R. Rines, daughter of Henry P. and Adeline (Bond) Rines, both of whom are deceased. Mrs. Thompson is a graduate of Smith College, class of 1940. Dr. and Mrs. Thompson, Jr., are the parents of two sons, both born in Portland: 1. William Bond, born April 4, 1943. 2. Frederick Langthorne, born April 7, 1947.

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**BOYNTON, Stanley C.**

In the fields of land, water, and air transportation and of firefighting Stanley C. Boynton of Portland is a figure of importance in Modern Maine. For many years a commercial aviation pilot in the state, he has since 1938 been in the truck business. He is now the Maine State manager for the Mack Motor Truck Company, operating as a direct factory representative and through nine dealers and four wholesale and retail representatives.

Born in Lexington, Massachusetts, on February 27, 1912, Mr. Boynton is the son of the late James H. Boynton and Elizabeth (Crocker) Boynton. He is a graduate of the Browne and Nichols Preparatory School at Cambridge, Massachu-



setts, and of the Curtiss-Wright Transport School in Boston.

Mr. Boynton came to Maine in 1930 as a pilot for a commercial air transportation concern and this field of work he followed until 1938. In that year he became associated with the Mack Motor Truck Company. At first he was a sales representative in central Maine. In 1943 he was promoted to his present post as manager in charge of the company's operations in the entire state; the dealers and representatives working under Mr. Boynton's supervision are located in every large city and in all the counties of the state. The major line of business includes fire apparatus, medium and heavy trucks, heavy off-duty highway equipment, buses, and marine engines. Mr. Boynton's main office and show rooms are at 18 Bedford Street, Portland.

Mr. Boynton's position in his field is indicated to some extent by the fact that he has been elected to the board of directors of the Maine Truck Owners Association. He is also a member of the Lions Club of Portland and the Portland Yacht Club. He attends Foreside Community Church. Gardening is his hobby, boating his major recreation.

On November 19, 1940, at Woodstock, New Brunswick, Stanley C. Boynton married Elsie Holmes, the daughter of H. Fair Holmes and Nettie (Schuman) Holmes of Belfast, and a graduate of Boston University. Mr. and Mrs. Boynton are the parents of Joan Elizabeth Boynton, who was born at Rockland, Maine, on March 17, 1942.

#### **JARDINE, William Newton**

At Washburn, not far above the Aroostook River, William Newton Jardine has spent a lifetime, engaged for practically all of the years in agriculture. For three

decades he has been connected with the O. K. Story Company, in various capacities from farm manager to treasurer.

Born at Washburn, on May 12, 1895, William Jardine is the son of Charles and Margaret (Moore) Jardine, both of whom are living. His mother is a native of the Province of Brunswick, Canada. His father, a retired farmer, born in Washburn in 1871, is a substantial citizen of the town, long identified with its development. The public grammar and high schools of his birthplace furnished William Newton Jardine's formal education while he was acquiring in the hard way a knowledge of Maine agriculture. In 1919 he rented twenty acres of cleared land and farmed it for a year before the O. K. Story Company was organized, of which he became a partner and farm manager. The concern currently has about two hundred and fifty acres under cultivation, of which some hundred acres are annually planted to white potatoes, of both the commercial and certified seed types. The officers of the O. K. Story Company are: O. K. Story, president; Harry E. Umphrey, vice president; and Mr. Jardine, treasurer. Biographies of all are published in this work.

William Newton Jardine is associated with his son, Gerald Jardine, in the ownership and management of approximately a hundred acres, a large proportion being in potatoes and grains. All of the Jardine enterprises are located in the Washburn region of Aroostook County. In public affairs, he is an influential Republican, now serving on the Washburn Town Council. He attends the Baptist Church and is prominent in religious and charitable work.

In 1915, William Newton Jardine married, first, Amber Stoddard of Washburn, who died August 19, 1944, daughter of



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Oliver and Blanche (Carney) Stoddard. Mr. and Mrs. Jardine were the parents of three children: 1. Quentin William, who married Myrtle Umphrey, and they have two children: Roger and Ruth. 2. Witha Margaret. 3. Gerald, who married Lois Porter. Mr. Jardine married, second, June 6, 1948, Velma Adams of Washburn.

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**HARRISON, Paul H., Jr.**

As district manager of the Sun Oil Company in the state of Maine and territory including northern New Hampshire, Paul H. Harrison, Jr., brings to his important administrative task for this great concern a thorough experience and marked business abilities. In his career has been a period as motor products dealer, salesman and sales manager, and he came to the Portland office of Sun Oil Company after commendable service as an army captain in the European Theater during World War II.

A Southerner by birth, Mr. Harrison was born in Mobile, Alabama, August 6, 1912, son of Paul H. and Mary Elva (Harrington) Harrison. His father was a native of Chattanooga, whose family moved early in his life to Roanoke, Virginia, and he became a lieutenant commander in the revenue cutter service of the United States Coast Guard. During World War I, Paul H. Harrison, Sr., was a captain in the United States Navy, and a commanding officer at Cape May, New Jersey.

Paul H. Harrison, Jr., attended schools in Jacksonville, and after graduation from Robert E. Lee High School entered Cornell University, from which he graduated in 1933. He had previously had experience with the Sun Oil Company, with which he became associated in June, 1926, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and also experience as service station attendant,

which took him into several states. Soon after the completion of his advanced education he located at Boston, in the fall of 1935, as motor products dealer salesman. In 1938 he was advanced to motor products sales manager and transferred to Providence, Rhode Island, and two years later he returned to Boston, also in the capacity of motor products manager.

From January 2, 1942 to November 26, 1945 Mr. Harrison served in the United States Army, and held the rank of captain with the 13th Airborne Division, which had a creditable record in action in the European Theater of Operations. On his return to civilian life and to the employ of the Sun Oil Company, Mr. Harrison was given the responsibility of the district managership at Lawrence, Massachusetts, and was transferred, on February 1, 1947, to Portland. At that office he is district manager for the state of Maine, his district including also the upper portion of the state of New Hampshire. The Sun Oil Company established its Maine district in 1939, with headquarters in Portland. This office serves the needs of ten wholesale distributors and fifty district dealers. There is a local plant at 93 Kensington in South Portland, a water terminal at Portland, and another at Bangor.

Participating fully in community activities, Mr. Harrison is a member of the Portland Yacht Club, and of the Maine Publicity Bureau. He and his family attend the Episcopal Church.

At Sudbury, Massachusetts, September 11, 1937, Paul H. Harrison, Jr., married Barbara Way of that town, daughter of Charles H. and Florence (Piper) Way, her father being a prominent architect in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison have become the parents of three children: 1

Abigail Freeborn, born March 29, 1939, at Providence, Rhode Island. 2. Henry Scott, born December 1, 1940 at Winchester, Massachusetts. 3. Charles Way, born December 7, 1944, at Boston, Massachusetts. Mr. Harrison's business address is at 93 Kensington Street in Portland, and he resides at Yarmouth.

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**STEWARD, Raymond B.**

As superintendent of its schools in School Union No. 2, the citizens of Kennebunk have chosen Raymond B. Steward, a man of thorough preparation, experience, and progressive views.

Mr. Steward, who was born in Portland, November 5, 1894, is a son of John A. and Lena (Gray) Steward. His father was a native of Farmingdale, Maine, and was a millwright by trade. Lena (Gray) Steward was born in Emden. Their son received his education in the schools of Portland and graduated from Portland High School, before entering the University of Maine. There he received, in 1917, the degree of Bachelor of Science. He has since pursued studies at the University of Vermont, where he received the degree of Master of Education in 1941.

Mr. Steward's first appointment was in an administrative capacity, as principal of the Warren High School at Warren, Maine, which position he held during 1922-1923. In the latter year he went to New Portland High School, also as principal. From 1925 to 1929, Mr. Steward was superintendent of schools of Union No. 39, and in 1929 accepted appointment at Union 103 as superintendent. There followed a decade, 1936-1946, as superintendent of the schools of Union 104, after which Mr. Steward accepted his present appointment.

In this capacity, Mr. Steward bears responsibility for primary and secondary

education in the schools of Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, North Berwick, and Wells, which comprise School Union No. 2 of the state of Maine. The citizens of this area have found him an able and reliable administrator, of sound views and substantial experience, in whose hands the education of their children is secure. Mr. Steward is a member of the National Education Association, the Maine Teachers Association, and the New England Superintendents Association. He is past president of both the Washington County Schoolmen and the Washington County Teachers Association. His qualities of leadership have been proven in the Rotary organizations as well—he is past president of the Eastport Rotary, and is now a member of the Kennebunk-Kennebunkport Rotary. Also included in his professional affiliations is the Maine Superintendents Association.

Fraternally, Mr. Steward is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Warren Lodge No. 127. He is of Baptist faith, and a trustee of his church.

During World War I, Raymond B. Steward served in the United States Army, and attended Field Artillery Officers School.

At Bangor, on November 4, 1919, Raymond B. Steward married Annie C. Lutz of that city, daughter of William L. and Annie (Gay) Lutz. They have become the parents of two children: 1. Raymond Benson, Jr., born in Lubec, Maine, May 28, 1930, a graduate of Kennebunk High School and attending the University of Maine. 2. Charlotte Ardelle, born at Lubec, March 12, 1932, now attending Kennebunk High School.

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**WATSON, Perley Lester**

Member of a family which has for



five generations been associated with the newspaper field of the state of Maine, Perley Lester Watson has been connected with the Star Print, Inc., as treasurer and clerk throughout the greater part of his career. Mr. Watson is a leader in fraternal affairs, and has willingly assumed civic responsibilities which he has discharged with ability.

For the account of the Watsons and their place in "getting out the news" in the state of Maine we draw liberally upon a feature article appearing in the issue of the Portland "Press-Herald" of January 26, 1948. William Watson was the first to come to these shores from Scotland. Family history has it that he was "probably a bagpipe operator"—a fact which has set the stage for many analogies with the Pied Piper, for the Watsons have since led the parade in the journalistic field in the locality which William chose when he settled in this country. It was he who established, at Biddeford, the "Maine Democrat." His three sons, William H., Oscar F., and Marcus, continued in the tradition. William H. became a pioneer in the field of the comic magazine. As publisher of "Watson's Illuminator" he brought forth a periodical which achieved wide circulation on the trains between Portland and Boston, and which became universally known among New England traveling men. As the "Press-Herald" states it:

"The comic sheet grew to be just as much a part of the train ride as the conductor's punch and the black iron gates at the end of the coaches."

Oscar, the second son, was associated with his father in the production of the "Maine Democrat." The third son, Marcus, established the weekly "Westbrook Chronicle," and became widely known as a printer and publisher. The office

in which the "Chronicle" was published was established in 1862, and its proprietor also advertised "card, book, and job printing." Marcus Watson later published the "Daily Eastern Star" at Biddeford. He became the father of W. Lester Watson, third generation of the family to be engaged in the newspaper business. For many years Lester Watson's name was associated with the "Kennebunk Star," and he was to achieve in connection with that paper a national record. His career represented the greatest number of consecutive years that a publisher had run the same newspaper. He died in 1940, at the age of eighty-seven. His career had begun in August, 1877, when he purchased from his father, at Biddeford, the "Daily Eastern Star." Under his management it became a weekly, and the next January he moved its offices and plant to Kennebunk. There he began publication of the six-column, four-page "Eastern Star." For forty-two years this paper was popular among the residents of Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, and Wells. Its name was changed to the "Kennebunk Star" in 1919, to give it a proper local association. It is this same "Kennebunk Star" establishment that Perley L. Watson, son of the founder, is associated with today. The paper adheres to the policy laid down for it by Lester Watson, when he said:

"The Star will be independent in politics. It will approve or disapprove according as circumstances require."

On Lester Watson's death, his two sons assumed management. Willis E. is president and business manager; Perley L., of whom further, is secretary and treasurer.

Perley Lester Watson was born in Kennebunk, June 12, 1891, son of Willis Lester and Ida (Morrill) Watson. His



mother was a descendant of Lot M. Morrill and Anson P. Morrill, governors of the state of Maine. Anson P. served the first administration, during 1854-1855; while Lot M. Morrill was in office from 1857 to 1859.

Attending public elementary schools in his home locality, Perley Lester Watson completed one year of high school, and has added to his academic education two correspondence courses. For seven years after the completion of his high school courses, he was a traveling salesman; but thereafter became identified with the enterprise which his father had founded. He has been treasurer and clerk of the Star Print Company, Inc., and at the present time holds the offices of secretary and treasurer. Its printing establishment, as the Watsons testify, is equipped to "do everything from a postage stamp to a Bible." The "Star" itself is a four-page weekly. It carries ads and local news—what the people want—and doesn't concern itself too much with editorials, though it may print one "when the occasion warrants." It has maintained its policy of political neutrality. Herbert C. Hume was the paper's editor from 1914 to 1948, until the time of his death.

Though their political views do not reach the columns of their paper, the Watsons are of Republican conviction, and Perley Lester Watson serves as treasurer of the Republican town committee. He is a Thirty-second degree member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, a member of the York Lodge; past high priest of the Murray Royal Arch Chapter; past patron of the Madona Chapter; and past commander of the Bradford Commandery. He is also a member of the Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic

Shrine. Mr. Watson is a Unitarian in his religious faith.

At Biddeford, Maine, December 22, 1915, Perley Lester Watson married F. Louise Lombard, daughter of George L. and Lucy Ann Lombard. They have become the parents of two children: 1. Priscilla Elizabeth (Hanson), born October 8, 1916. 2. George Lombard, born October 18, 1922. The Watsons reside at Kennebunk, and Mr. Watson's business address is 3 Garden Street.

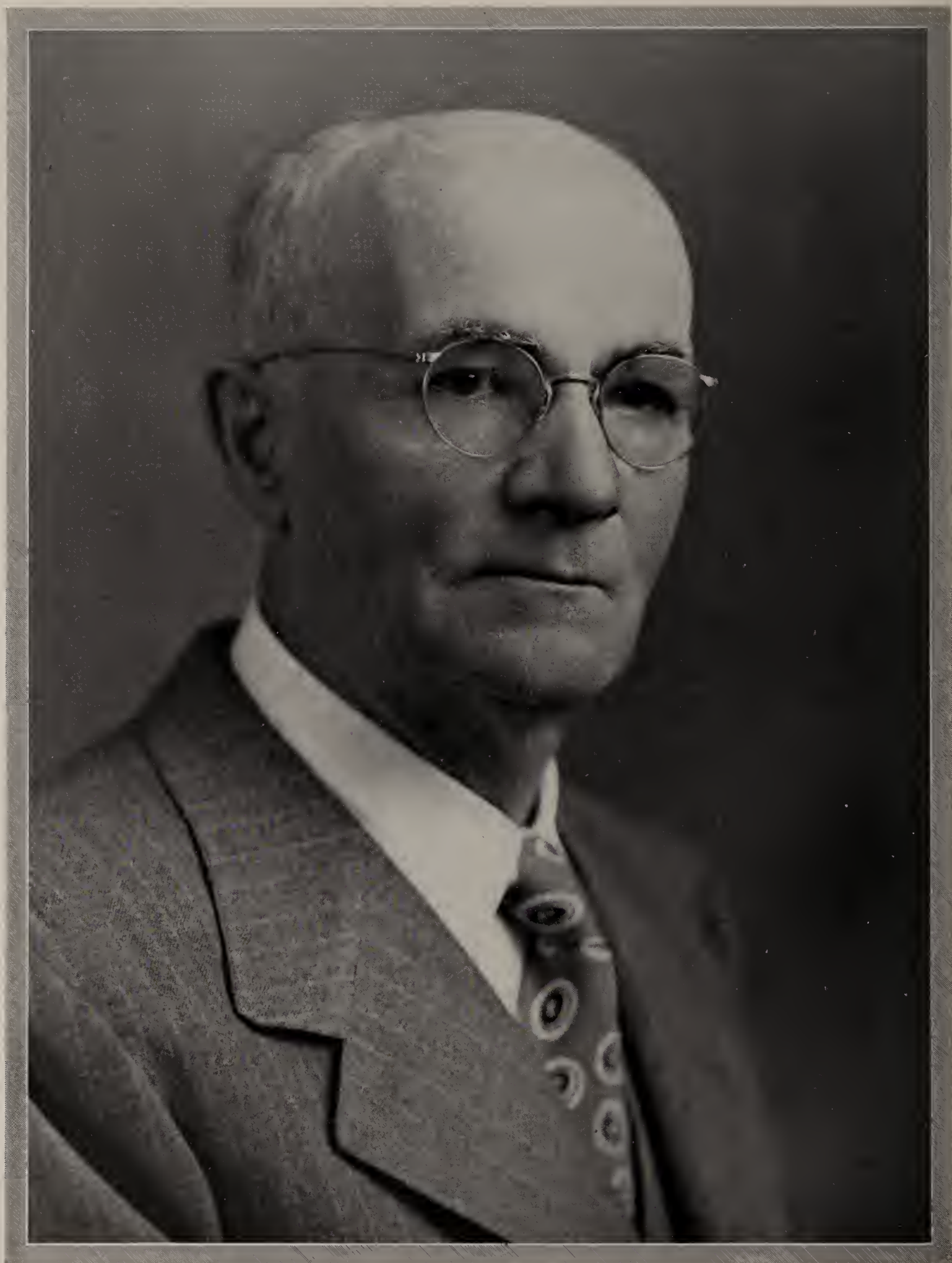
#### **CARTER, Percy Clair**

Owning six hundred and sixty acres of productive Maine farmland near Mapleton, Percy Clair Carter has devoted nearly fifty years to its cultivation, and has become one of the most substantial citizens of this prosperous community. He is the owner of a warehouse and granary, and has played his part in public service.

A son of Ira and Elvira Carter, both deceased, Mr. Carter was born in Presque Isle on November 17, 1876. His father was a wheelwright by trade, but young Percy early took to agriculture, working for four and a half years for his older brother, James, on a nearby farm. He received his education in the country schools near Mapleton, and for one year attended high school in Presque Isle, before leaving to devote himself to practical training and earning a livelihood. After his association with his brother, he worked for one summer for the Gould Lumber Company at Presque Isle, and for five winters drove team at a lumber camp. He worked out at the same time, planting two acres of potatoes for himself, and thus determinedly began his agricultural pursuits.

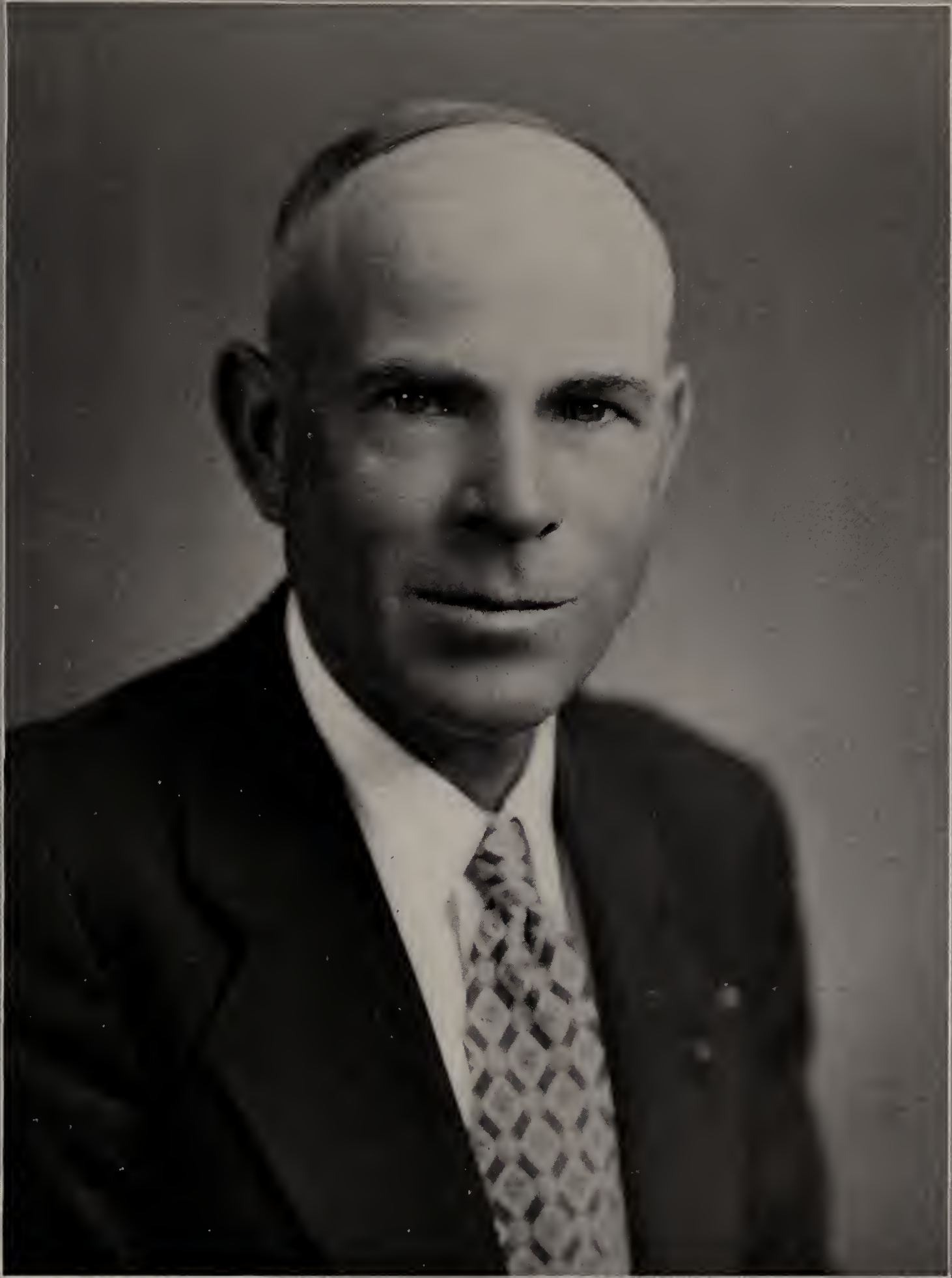
In 1902 Percy C. Carter purchased a small farm containing nineteen cleared





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acres, and on this land raised six acres of potatoes. He conserved his resources, and six years later purchased an additional sixty acres on another farm. He gradually increased by purchasing additional farm-lands, and today he and his son hold title to one of the most sizeable holdings in this section of vast Aroostook County, six hundred and sixty acres. It is planted chiefly to potatoes, hay and grain. Mr. Carter has extended his enterprises to include ownership and operation of a warehouse and granary near a railroad siding of the Bangor-Aroostook Railroad at Mapleton. Able and conscientious in the execution of civic duties, Mr. Carter served one year as road commissioner of Castle Hill. He is a Republican in his politics.

Mr. Carter is a member of the local Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, and of the Mapleton Chamber of Commerce, and he is fraternally affiliated with the Knights of Pythias.

Percy Clair Carter has been twice married. He married, first, March 27, 1898, Bertha Giggey, of Washburn, who died March 30, 1908. They were the parents of three sons: 1. Guilford H., deceased. 2. Ervin M. 3. John Wendell (q.v.), who is now associated with his father. Mr. Carter married, second, on June 10, 1911, Gertie L. Haines of Chapman, by whom he is the father of five children: 4. Reuel Norman. 5. Marcia L., who married Richard Cooney. 6. Leland, who died in infancy. 7. Elton S. 8. Winston C.

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#### **CARTER, John Wendell**

A native of Castle Hill, Aroostook County, born February 22, 1903, John Wendell Carter is an influential farmer and citizen of the Mapleton-Presque Isle area. For nearly a quarter of a century he has been associated with his father,

Percy C. Carter (q.v.). He has an established reputation among fellow agriculturalists, keeping in touch with them and with the latest developments in farming and marketing, and shares readily his knowledge and experience with others.

John Wendell Carter was educated in the Mapleton public schools and the University of Maine, and in addition to a constructive interest in education, is a Republican in political allegiance. He is a member of the Patrons of Husbandry. He is of the Protestant faith and is generous in his support of charitable enterprises and the betterment of conditions for all the public. Fishing is a favorite hobby.

At Presque Isle, John Wendell Carter married Lula Merritt, daughter of David Merritt, and they are the parents of a son: Wendell Merritt, born in 1935.

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#### **BERNSTEIN, Lewis**

Lewis Bernstein, the owner of the Mill City Chevrolet Corporation at Biddeford, has been engaged in the automobile business since the days when that vehicle experienced its early widespread popularity: the World War I era. His name is known both in Portland and Biddeford as one who knows his field thoroughly, and whose judgment and fairness can be relied upon.

Born in Portland, March 9, 1899, Mr. Bernstein is a son of Samuel and Jennie (Sulkowitch) Bernstein. He attended the Boston High School of Commerce in Boston, Massachusetts, for three years, and graduated from Portland High School in 1917. In that year he became associated with his father in the automobile business in South Portland. His father, who was a native of Lithuania, married in Portland, where he and his wife had settled as young people. Jennie



(Sulkowitch) Bernstein is still living. Samuel Bernstein early developed an interest in the automobile, and the outgrowth of this interest was the automobile and parts business which he established in South Portland, and in which his son joined him.

The year after this association began, however, Lewis Bernstein entered military service, enrolling in the Students Army Training Corps at Harvard University. There he remained until the termination of the war. Returning with his father, he continued in their partnership until 1929.

In that year, Lewis Bernstein started his own business. He engaged in the retailing of used cars, on Forest Avenue in Portland, which remained the headquarters of his activities until 1948. In the interim he assumed the responsibilities of several new car agencies in Maine, and in 1948 gave up his business in Portland to come to Biddeford to conduct the Chevrolet agency in that place. The agency was already ten years old, having been founded by Mr. Bernstein in the fall of 1938. Another of Mr. Bernstein's enterprises is the Bernstein Auto Parts Company of South Portland, of which he is treasurer and director. He is treasurer and director of the Advance Auto Sales Company of Auburn, Maine, and treasurer of the York County Sales Company of Biddeford. Outside of the automotive field, his business sagacity is much in demand. He is treasurer of the Realty Management Company of Portland, director of the Jewish Community Center of Portland, and director of the Jewish Federation of Portland. Mr. Bernstein is a member of Temple Beth El in that city, and of its post of Jewish War Veterans.

At Montreal, Province of Quebec, Feb-

ruary 3, 1931, Lewis Bernstein married Hazel Bloomstone of that city, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bloomstone. They are the parents of two daughters: 1. Dorothy Ann, born in Portland, October 6, 1932, now a student at Deering High School. 2. Brenda Muriel, born July 3, 1938, attending Nathan Clifford School in Portland. The Bernsteins maintain their Portland residence, although Mr. Bernstein's business address is 150 Alfred Street in Biddeford.

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#### **McCARN, Robert H.**

Robert H. McCarn is superintendent of schools at Sanford, Maine. He brings to his position of responsibility, ample experience in the practical aspects of teaching, and has occupied his present post since 1946.

Mr. McCarn is of Catholic family background. Born in Biddeford, February 25, 1908, he is a son of Hugh and Elizabeth (Maguire) McCarn. His father, a stone-cutter by trade, was a native of Prince Edward Island; and his mother, a native of Biddeford, a school teacher in the public schools for twenty-eight years died September 17, 1947. After graduation from Biddeford High School, Robert H. McCarn continued his education at Holy Cross College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1929. Later, at Boston College, he added the degree of Master of Education.

His first teaching appointment was as instructor at the Biddeford High School, on the faculty of which he remained from 1935 until 1943. Next appointed instructor in English at St. Francis College in Biddeford, he added the teaching of college-level courses to his experience, remaining at that Catholic school until 1946, in which year he accepted his present post.

Active in educators' organizations, Mr. McCarn is a director of the York County Teachers Association. He is a life member of the National Education Association, also a member of the Maine Superintendents Association. In his own community he participates in the activities of the Rotary Club and the Knights of Columbus, is a member of the local lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of the Sanford Town and Country Club. He is of Catholic faith, a communicant of St. Ignatius Roman Catholic Church and a member of the Holy Name Society.

Mr. McCarn is unmarried, and makes his home in Sanford.

#### **TITCOMB, Judge Edward S.**

Judge Edward S. Titcomb, who has practiced law in the Sanford and Alfred area for over thirty-five years, has rendered distinguished service in a variety of public offices. He has been county attorney, occupied for twelve years the bench of the municipal court, and has been an official of the Sanford Trust Company for over thirty years. He is a popular figure in local and professional groups.

Born in Kennebunk, York County, January 21, 1890, Judge Edward S. Titcomb graduated from Thornton Academy in Saco, after which he entered Boston University Law School. From that institution, he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in the class of 1913. Admitted to the bar of the state of Maine in September of that year, he commenced practice at Alfred, and remained there from 1913 to 1916. He has remained in York County throughout the intervening years, but since 1916 his practice has been established at Sanford.

In 1917 Edward S. Titcomb became

registrar of probate, serving until 1920. He was county attorney for York County from 1921 through 1924, and subsequently for twelve years was judge of the Sanford Municipal Court, serving with distinction. Judge Titcomb has also been influential in banking, and he has been a director of the Sanford Trust Company for over thirty years. He is also a trustee of the Henrietta D. Goodall Hospital of Sanford, and is a member of the American Hospital Association. Judge Titcomb is a member of the American Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association, and the York County Bar Association. He is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, being a member of York Lodge No. 22 at Kennebunk; and he is also a member of the lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member, and past president, of the Sanford Rotary Club.

At Alfred, Maine, September 30, 1916, Edward S. Titcomb married Margaret Neal Hewey of that place, daughter of James E. and Adelaide M. (Roberts) Hewey. Mrs. Titcomb is a graduate of Wellesley College in Massachusetts, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1913. Judge and Mrs. Titcomb are the parents of two children: 1. James Hewey, born in Portland, December 24, 1917, a graduate of Sanford High School and Bowdoin College in the class of 1939, and of Boston University Law School with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in the class of 1947. He is now associated with the law firm of Titcomb and Siddall. During World War II he served with the United States Navy, from August, 1940 to November, 1945, first as ensign, later being promoted to the rank of lieutenant commander; and being stationed in the Pacific theater, the Asiatic theater, and participating in the



invasion of France. James Hewey Titcomb married, in June, 1947, Nancy Dobson of Philadelphia, who is a graduate of Wellesley College, and who served with the rank of lieutenant senior grade, in the WAVES during World War II. They are the parents of a daughter Marcy Louise, who was born in May, 1948. 2. Mary, born March 25, 1921 in Portland. She is a graduate of Sanford High School, and of Walnut Hill School, Natick, Massachusetts. In 1943 she graduated from Mount Holyoke College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. During World War II she served as a lieutenant junior grade in the WAVES.

Judge Titcomb maintains offices in the Sanford Trust Company Building, and the family resides in Sanford.

#### **O'HARA, Francis J.**

As president and treasurer of F. J. O'Hara and Sons, Inc., Francis J. O'Hara is widely known throughout New England. This company produces and distributes both fresh and frozen sea foods, has headquarters in Portland, with establishments also situated in Rockland, Maine, and Boston, Massachusetts. In line with its policy of furnishing a complete fishing and fish distribution service, it operates a fleet of trawlers in New England waters. Mr. O'Hara is referred to as the largest independent fish dealer in the United States, and conducts a progressive organization which has made consistent headway through the long period of its existence.

Mr. O'Hara was born March 7, 1878, in Boston, Massachusetts, son of Francis J. and Jane (Donohue) O'Hara. His father before him was engaged in the fishing business. Francis J. O'Hara attended public schools in Winchester, Massachusetts, continuing through the high school

grades. In 1905 he entered the fishing business on his own account, after having been associated with his father in the same type of work in Boston. The O'Hara family has carried on this type of enterprise for more than a century.

Starting his own sea food company, Francis J. O'Hara has not only his Portland establishment, with headquarters at Union Wharf, but has established additional places of business in New England. In 1948 he completed erection of an ice plant at Rockland, where he produces one hundred and fifty tons of ice daily, and he plans to build an ice plant at Eastport in the near future. His cold storage plant in Rockland holds a million pounds of fish. He is also president of the Commonwealth Ice and Cold Storage Company of Boston, one of the largest of its kind in New England, as well as a director of the Boston Fish Pier.

Mr. O'Hara finds that there are many requisites for the successful handling of first-quality sea food products—a dependable source of supply, modern processing and packing facilities, attractive packages, and an aggressive organization. F. J. O'Hara and Sons, Inc., possesses all of these qualifications. The company's fleet of ships includes ten ultramodern draggers, designed for quicker travel and better quality of catches. The O'Hara fleet includes the distinguished fishing trawlers "Notre Dame," "Villa Nova," "Jeanne D'Arc," "Queen of Peace," "Trinity" and the "Araho," a one hundred and ten foot ship. The "Fordham," first of four eighty-two foot vessels, made her maiden voyage on August 28, 1941. The second large one was the "Notre Dame," an exact duplicate of the "Fordham." The other two eighty-two footers are the "Villa Nova" and the "Jeanne D'Arc." The "Holy Cross" and the "Georgetown"





*Francis J. O'Donnell*



are fifty-eight feet in length. A suitable ceremony always attends the launching of a new O'Hara ship, often with speeches by leaders in government and in the fishing and shipbuilding industry.

The eighty-two foot draggers have introduced numerous important features, as exemplified in the "Fordham." This ship is equipped for dragging from both sides, as well as for scalloping; a special arrangement makes it possible to change over from dragging to scalloping and back again in only three hours. The "Fordham" has oak planking, oak frames and yellow pine decking and ceiling. In order to drain the condensation from between the frames, one-inch pipe drains have been placed in each frame space under the hold, arranged to run into the pump well. This eliminates the use of salt. To prevent loss of the rudder, there has been developed a special form of bronze rudder stock, the lower half of which is H-shaped to take the rudder blades, which are through-bolted. The round upper stock has a flange at the bottom and bolts to the lower stock. A considerable amount of steel has been used in the dragger. The pilot house, deck house and engine room trunk are of welded steel plate, the use of which eliminates the possibility of shrinkage caused by the engine heat and prevents leaks. The pilot house has Dutch-type doors with windows. The adjoining captain's quarters are well arranged with full-length berths and a good-sized chart table. The color scheme used on the boat is distinctive, there being a red bottom, white super-structure and blue hull. Accommodations are provided for eight crew members forward and two officers aft.

A great deal of thought and energy have gone into the development of the O'Hara industries, including establish-

ment of thoroughly modern packing and freezing plants in Portland and Rockland, which are equipped for the processing of millions of pounds of fish each year. Mr. O'Hara has also shown himself to be a master of modern advertising. The company's attractive red, white and blue cartons in five, ten and fifteen pound sizes provide distinctive consumer appeal. Mr. O'Hara has also made a substantial contribution to civic and social life in Portland as a member of the Portland Yacht Club and the Portland Country Club. He also belongs to the Everglades Club in Palm Beach, Florida. He is a member of the Roman Catholic Church at Falmouth Foreside.

Francis J. O'Hara married Dorothy M. McCalduff of Boston, Massachusetts, a graduate of St. Joseph's Academy, Brighton, Massachusetts. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Mary Jane, a student at Mount Vernon College, Washington, D. C. 2. Francis Joseph, Jr., a student at the Bolles School, Jacksonville, Florida. 3. Robert Frederick, also at the Bolles School. 4. John Bradley, likewise a student at the Bolles School. 5. Hope Ann, a student at Notre Dame Academy, Tyngsboro, Massachusetts. All five children were born in Boston.

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#### **DIGGERY, Charles W.**

In 1920 the Thayer-Diggery Company was formed in Sanford to engage in the clothing trade. Its reputation has expanded far beyond the bounds of the city, especially with summer customers, as "The Home of the Palm Beach Mills," and suits made therefrom. Charles W. Diggery has been president of the firm, and Edwin R. Thayer (q. v.), treasurer, since the beginning.

Charles W. Diggery was born in Troy, New York, on October 10, 1885, son of



John and Clara (Watkins) Diggery. His father, born in Wales, came with his parents at the age of five to America; lived in New York City until the Civil War; served in the Army of the Potomac for three years and then settled in Troy, New York. There he met the mother, who originally came from Bristol, England. In the good old tradition, the parents encouraged their son to acquire a sound education, and Charles W. Diggery was graduated from the Troy High School, before he began earning his own livelihood. From 1906 to 1920, he was employed by the Cluett-Peabody Company in Troy, for a year or two in the New York State city, but after 1909 was for the most part a sales representative of the company in Maine.

After being a resident of Portland from 1909, Charles W. Diggery removed to Sanford as a partner and president of the Thayer-Diggery Company, which in February, 1920, purchased the interests of A. C. Holman. The business has been expanded down through the years, and the company has become famous for its Palm Beach Suits for men and boys, a seemingly unusual field in which to operate if one forgets that Maine has a delightful summer climate, as people from all over the United States can attest.

Besides being a most progressive and successful merchant, Mr. Diggery is a prominent figure in the affairs of Sanford and of the state. He is an active member and director of the advisory board of the Maine Publicity Bureau; member of the Maine Turnpike Authority, and is a past lieutenant governor of the Kiwanis International. He belongs to the Merchants Association; is vice president of the Henrietta B. Goodall Memorial Library. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Deer-

ing Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Bethany Commandery, Knights Templar, of Sanford, and he is a member of the Goodall Town and Country Club. He attends the Baptist Church, and is liberal in his contributions to religious and humanitarian projects.

At Troy, New York, on September 27, 1909, Charles W. Diggery married Gertrude M. Groves, daughter of Edward and Alice (Anderson) Groves. Mr. and Mrs. Diggery are the parents of the following children: 1. Gertrude J., born in Portland, a graduate of Sanford High School, and Bates College, with the degree Bachelor of Arts, class of 1932; she married Horace P. Herrick, and they have one son: Bruce Diggery Herrick. 2. Dorothy H., born in Portland, and a graduate of Sanford High School, and Bates College, class of 1933, with the degree Bachelor of Arts; she married Laurence F. Higgins of Miami, Florida. 3. Miriam M., born in Portland; graduate of Sanford High School, and Bates College, with the degree Bachelor of Arts, class of 1935; she married Harold T. Trafton of Sanford. 4. Velma A., born in Portland; a graduate of Sanford High School, and of Chamberlain's School at Boston; she married Lawrence G. Baston of Sanford, and is the mother of a son: Douglas Charles Baston, born in Sanford.

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#### **NADEAU, Rev. Edouard**

For the past decade the Rev. Edouard Nadeau has been pastor of St. Ignatius Church, at Sanford, well-known as beloved for his priestly zeal in the sanctification of souls and faithful devotion to the advancement of works of religion, education, and charity.

Father Nadeau was born in Auburn, Maine, on September 7, 1894, son of

Alfred J. and Lauza (Brisson) Nadeau. His father, a baker by trade who settled in Lewiston as a youth, was a native of St. Joseph's, Beauce County, Province of Quebec, Canada. The mother was born at St. Norbert, Province of Quebec, and was brought to Lewiston as a young girl. The marriage was performed in Preceville, Canada, but they subsequently returned to Lewiston, where the two and their family spent the rest of their lives. Alfred J. Nadeau died in 1938, his wife predeceasing him in 1921, and both lie buried in St. Peter's Cemetery, Lewiston.

Edouard Nadeau attended St. Louis parochial school in Auburn, completed his formal education in Sacred Heart College, Victoriaville, and the Seminary, Nicolet, both in the Province of Quebec. He later matriculated at St. Mary's College, Van Buren, Maine, and the Grand Seminary, Montreal, Canada. Ordained in St. James Cathedral, Montreal, on December 21, 1918, Father Nadeau began his thirty years and more of service to his church and its people. He was curate of St. Joseph's Church, Biddeford, 1920-25; pastor during 1925-26 of Sacred Heart Church, Auburn, and from 1926 to 1930, he was pastor of St. David's Church, St. Davids. Father Nadeau was assigned to the St. Croix Church at Lewiston in 1930, and continued his devoted work to 1939, when he assumed the pastorate of St. Ignatius Church in Sanford. Father Nadeau is a member of the Canada American Artisans of Montreal, of the Knights of Columbus in Sanford, the Catholic Foresters of America, and the Union of St. John Baptiste of America.

#### HOCHBERG, Judge F. William

Attorney, recorder, judge of the Municipal Court, Judge F. William Hochberg

serves the people of Sanford and surrounding area in several fields of endeavor with efficiency and dispatch. His knowledge of the law and its applications not only aids clients, but in the court helps him to decide wisely without undue emphasis on those strong tendencies towards humanitarianism and sympathy for unfortunates which are marked characteristics of his temperament. His personal interests are wide, varying from fraternal affiliations to agriculture, and he is a veteran of World War I.

F. William Hochberg is a native of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, son of a merchant, who died in 1923 before he was able to enjoy the knowledge that his son was to become a successful lawyer. The mother remains a resident of Attleboro. F. William Hochberg attended the grammar and high schools of his birthplace, and is a graduate of Suffolk Law School, in Boston, class of 1926. Admitted to the Maine bar in February, 1928, he practiced for a short time before coming to Sanford, where he has built up a large clientele. In 1937 he was licensed to practice in the United States District Court and has been associated with many important cases. Judge Hochberg is a member of the Maine State Bar Association and the York County Bar Society. Since 1947 he has been recorder and judge of the Sanford Municipal Court, doing an excellent job in both posts. He is particularly interested in the rehabilitation of youths and adults rather than their punishment, and does all within his power to this end. During World War I, he went into the United States Armed Forces as a private, later becoming a sergeant in Company M, 14th Regiment, Massachusetts National Guard, after receiving his honorable discharge from the service. He is a member of the



American Legion, Post No. 20, Attleboro. Fraternally he is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; the Knights of Pythias; and is a member of the National Grange, Patrons of Husbandry. With his wife, he is a member of the Bauneg Beg Grange of North Berwick, of which he is a past lecturer. He attends the Congregational Church, and is identified with various charitable and community endeavors. For recreation he enjoys fishing.

Judge F. William Hochberg married Irene Jeanette Gilmour, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth (Killiam) Gilmour. Judge and Mrs. Hochberg are the parents of a daughter, Joan Marie, born at Portland, June 15, 1937, who is now a student.

#### **CHANDLER, Forest H.**

It is difficult to determine whether his hobby or his major vocation has brought him his greatest fame, but there is no doubt that Forest H. Chandler of Presque Isle, is one of Aroostook County's most notable figures. In any event, he is one of the county's leaders in agriculture, being a potato grower, and he is the outstanding worker on behalf of children in his area. When his teen-age daughter was barely out of her infancy, Mr. Chandler built her what one newspaper has called "A Little Girl's Dream House," a miniature home complete in every detail, inside and out, and this has become one of the landmarks of the Presque Isle area. Another of Mr. Chandler's contributions to a child's joy in life is a gymnasium; and this is the recreational center for the children of his community.

This successful agriculturist and friend of young people was born in Castle Hill, Aroostook County, on April 6, 1909, the son of Charles Gilman Record Chandler,

who was also a farmer and who died some years ago, and of Maude (Flannigan) Chandler, who survives her husband. Mr. Chandler was educated in the public schools of Castle Hill and Mapleton and in 1926 was graduated from the Mapleton High School. Until 1931 he worked on his father's farm. Then he purchased his first farm, located in the Town of Mapleton at State Road; this is the location of the "Dream House." Here Mr. Chandler has three hundred and ninety-five acres, some of it woodland, some of it excellent tillable land. He has continued to develop this property, improving it in every aspect and erecting modern buildings and remodeling his home, as well as building the miniature home and gymnasium. In 1943 he purchased additional land, consisting of two hundred acres, ninety-six of which are tillable. He employs three men.

In addition to operating his farm, Mr. Chandler is a director of the State Road Feeder Farm. He is active in the Castle Hill Grange No. 260; in the Maine Potato Growers Association; and the Aroostook County Farm Bureau. He is Protestant in religion and he has embraced the Republican political faith.

On June 7, 1933, at Mapleton, Forest H. Chandler married Gladys Pauline Smith, the daughter of Milton Smith, who is the subject of a separate biography appearing elsewhere in this history of Modern Maine, and of Emily A. (Porter) Smith. The daughter for whom Mr. Chandler built the "Dream House" is Emilie Annette Chandler, who was born on August 3, 1935. She is the second of Mr. and Mrs. Chandler's three children. The oldest is Darrell Lee Chandler, born on May 14, 1934, and the youngest is Donald Weldon Chandler, born on February 2, 1937.

As a newspaper story said, Mr. Chandler "built for his daughter an entire house





*Forest H. Chandler*



on a miniature scale, just the right size for a girl entering her teens." The house is complete upstairs and downstairs, and is modern and fully equipped. It is shingled with white fireproof shingles and trimmed in red. Careful planning was given to the living room, kitchen and dinette downstairs and the bedroom upstairs as in any adult house. Mr. Chandler began building the little house before World War II, but he was obliged to stop construction when the era of scarcity arrived. In 1944, he resumed work and sometimes labored well into the small hours of the morning. Later that year the house was complete, and his daughter was virtually making it her home. In fact, all three children slept in the upstairs bedroom of the play house for two years, from the time school ended in the Spring until potato digging time. They had electric lights and a hot plate to cook their own breakfast. Three thousand persons have visited the house!

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**ROBERTS, Judge John B.**

As judge of the Municipal Court of Sanford, York County, John B. Roberts fills well a post of interest and importance in his community. The cases that come before him and the persons appearing in the court are of such varied and individual character that an understanding of human nature is frequently more applicable than strict interpretation of the law. The municipality is fortunate in having in its service a lawyer of exceptional formal and legal education, and the genuine humanitarian's desire to rehabilitate and return to useful citizenship the occasional offender. It is worthy of more than passing note that he follows the example and tradition of a worthy father, who was for many years a municipal justice.

John B. Roberts was born at Caribou,

Maine, on September 21, 1915, son of Judge John B. Roberts and the former Blanche Lamb, his mother being a resident of Sanford. The father, who died in 1933, was a well-known banker, and long-time justice of the municipal court, and Judge of Probate, Aroostook County. The son prepared for higher education in the Caribou High School, and entered Bowdoin College, from which he was graduated a Bachelor of Arts, with the class of 1936. For his technical training he matriculated at the Law School of Boston University, receiving the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1940.

Admitted to the bar in 1940, John B. Roberts established himself in a practice of law in Sanford with Titcomb and Sidel. Since 1943 he has been a member of Willard and Willard, one of the leading law firms of York County. In February, 1947, he accepted appointment as Justice of the Municipal Court, to which he has given a great deal of attention with excellent results. Judge Roberts is a member of the American Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association, the York County Bar Association, and has been chairman for Maine of the Junior Bar Conference of the American Bar Association. He enjoys numerous other interests and has varied activities. Prominent in the Young Republican Club, locally and in the state organization, he wields a constructive influence in party councils and campaigns. He is a trustee of the Sanford Institute of Savings; is a past president of the Sanford Kiwanis Club, and is a former president of the Goodall Town and Country Club, golf being his favorite game. Fraternally, Judge Roberts is affiliated with Preble Lodge No. 143, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Sanford; member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite bodies up to and including



the Thirty-second degree, in Portland. He is a member and Moderator of the Congregational Church.

On June 22, 1946, at Wilton, Maine, John B. Roberts married Myra L. Sawyer, daughter of Earl W. Sawyer, her mother deceased. Mrs. Roberts is a graduate of the Sargeant School of Physical Education, in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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**MEUNIER, Thomas Albert**

Few citizens in the history of Sanford have been as active in public life as Thomas Albert Meunier, who, before attaining middle age, has served as chairman of the board of selectmen, chairman of the board of trustees of the Sanford Water District, and a trustee of the Sanford Sewage District. His background is that of an officer of the law, the chief of police of the Town of Sanford; but his proven abilities in varied administrative capacities have resulted in much public confidence being placed in his ability to serve.

Chief Meunier is a native of Sanford, born September 30, 1908. He is a son of Albert and Elizabeth (DeRoche) Meunier, his father being a mill worker by occupation. Educated in the public schools in Sanford, he graduated from high school there, and became a member of the police force of the town. He has advanced through the ranks to the post of chief of police, and is a member of the Sheriffs' Department of York County. To his responsibilities have been added the duties of chairman of the board of selectmen of the Town of Sanford, and membership on the board of trustees of both the Sanford Water District and the Sanford Sewage District. He is likewise a member of the Sanford Fire Department. He has earned the confidence of the townspeople through his able discharge of each of these duties.

He is a member of the Sanford and Springvale Fish and Game Protective Association, and of the Knights of Columbus. He is of the Roman Catholic faith.

At Sanford, on October 25, 1930, Thomas Albert Meunier married Germaine Beland, daughter of Jules and Elise (Perusse) Beland. They are the parents of four children: 1. Roger Donald, born July 25, 1931. 2. Thomas Robert, born November 5, 1935. 3. Eileen Elizabeth, born March 15, 1943. 4. Margaret Elain, born September 20, 1947. Chief Meunier's office is in the Sanford Town Hall, and the family also resides in Sanford.

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**CARIGNAN, Arthur Moise**

From a varied background in industry and food wholesaling, Arthur Moise Carignan entered public life, and has played a prominent part in the political affairs of York County. He has represented his district in the Eighty-sixth Legislature of the State of Maine, and is now a selectman of the Town of Sanford and active in both the town and county Democratic organizations. Mr. Carignan is also much occupied with fraternal and social activities in Sanford.

He is a native of Somersworth, New Hampshire, and was born January 27, 1891, son of Sinai and Mathilda (Perron) Carignan. Both parents were of Canadian French stock, and Mr. Carignan's father followed the occupation of drygoods salesman throughout most of his life. For three years, 1898, 1899 and 1900, he served as tax collector for the city of Somersworth. His son, subject of this sketch, received his early education in the primary schools of Somersworth, New Hampshire; and then attended Exeter Preparatory School, also in that state. Mr. Carignan's advanced education was ob-





*Mortimer D. Harris*



tained at Notre Dame College in Magog, Canada.

For a total of sixteen years, Mr. Carignan was engaged as a Goodyear stitcher in the shoe manufacturing industry. He thereafter became manager of a wholesale fruit concern, and successfully directed this business for an additional seven years. In the affairs of the community, Mr. Carignan has played an active part. He is connected in an official capacity with the Springvale National Bank, and has been selectman of the Town of Sanford since January 1, 1942. But by far the most conspicuous part of Mr. Carignan's career has been that associated with political activities. In 1933-1934, he was elected to the Eighty-sixth Legislature representing the Town of Sanford, and served with distinction. In addition to the post of selectman, he has been chairman of the Democratic Town Committee of Sanford for eight years, and chairman of the Democratic Committee of York County for six years.

Mr. Carignan is fraternally affiliated with the Consiel Laval of the Order of St. Jean de Baptiste at Springvale; with Lodge No. 1470, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Springvale Council of the Knights of Columbus, in which order he serves as treasurer of District Council No. 1. He is a member of Springvale Social Club, and of the Sanford and Springvale Fish and Game Protective Association. Mr. Carignan is a Roman Catholic in his religious faith, and a member of Notre Dame Parish of Springvale. He is unmarried. His residence is 104 Main Street, Springvale.

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#### **HARRIS, Mortier Doroc**

One of Portland's widely known business executives, Mortier Doroc Harris is president and general manager of the

Harris Oil Company and the Harris Company, both of this city.

Mr. Harris was born October 15, 1896, at East Harpswell, Cumberland County, son of Abner J. and Edith C. (Brigham) Harris. His father was born in Phippsburg, Maine, and his mother in East Harpswell. Mortier D. Harris attended public schools in East Harpswell, his birthplace, and became associated with his father in early youth.

The Harris Company, which he entered upon completing his formal schooling, was established in 1921, the joint founders being Abner Harris and his sons. Today Mortier D. Harris carries on his work in this connection in association with three brothers and a sister. Ellery S. Harris is treasurer of the company, and other active participants are O. S. Harris, Bernard E. Harris, and Pearl Harris. The Harris Company is a firm of ship's chandlers and it conducts what is recognized to be one of the most complete establishments of the type along the entire Atlantic coast.

In 1936 Mortier D. Harris founded the Harris Oil Company, of which he became president and general manager. Raymond H. Houston is treasurer of this enterprise, which is one of the largest independent oil distributors in this region, the local Cities Service.

In addition to his business activities, Mortier D. Harris is a member of numerous civic and social groups, among them the Cumberland Club, the Portland Club, and the American Legion. In the order of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, he is affiliated with Atlantic Lodge (Portland), St. Albans Commandery of Knights Templar, and Portland Consistory of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree, and is a member of Kora Temple of the

Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (Lewiston). He is also a member of the South Portland Planning Board.

On October 2, 1931, in South Portland, Mortier D. Harris married Edna B. Davis, daughter of Bert and Sophia (MacKenzie) Davis. They became the parents of a son, Mortier D., Jr., born in Portland, March 14, 1933, now attending South Portland High School.

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#### **MAURICE, Maurice Joseph**

The occupational background of Maurice Joseph Maurice, in relation to his activities as a public official of Sanford, is both interesting and significant. He was experienced as a mill worker, salesman, garage operator, before he organized a branch of the National Union for Social Justice in the State, and played an important role in the election of James Churchill Oliver to Congress. Shortly after he was himself elected selectman of Sanford, a post he has held continuously for more than a decade. He was a United States Navy man during World War I, is affiliated prominently with veteran organizations, and in politics is a convert from the Republican party to the Democratic party.

Born at Dover, New Hampshire, on March 1, 1902, Maurice Joseph Maurice is the son of Albert and Florence (Belanger) Maurice, his father being a long-time railroad inspector on the Portland Division of the Boston and Maine Railroad. After attending public and private schools, Maurice J. Maurice was graduated from the St. Charles grammar school of his birthplace, and the Dover High School. He also had two years of law studies through LaSalle University Extension Courses, which has contributed to his

present influence and understanding of public affairs.

The record of the business and military activities of Maurice Joseph Maurice reads as follows: Employed by Pacific Mills, Dover, New Hampshire, 1916-17; United States Navy, 1917-21; salesman for Crowell Publishing Company, 1921-22; employed in the Plush Division of Sanford Mills, Sanford, 1922-32; operated a garage business at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, 1932-33, but met with a serious accident in 1933, being crippled until 1936. Being temporarily incapacitated from physical activities was not without its compensations, for Mr. Maurice had the time and opportunity to consider and plan to act on social problems that demanded solution or at least amelioration. In 1936 he organized a branch of the National Union for Social Justice in Maine, that was no small factor in the election from the first district of the State, of James Churchill Oliver to the United States House of Representatives. Mr. Maurice became a candidate in 1937 for selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor at Sanford. Initial defeat was discouraging but not disastrous. He stood for these offices again in a special election, and was again defeated. But late in 1938 he was elected to these posts and since has been returned to the offices each successive election. He has sponsored a number of progressive measures and co-operated with numerous constructive leaders in the cause of righteous and sound community government.

As indicated, Mr. Maurice is a convert to the Democratic party. Reared a Republican and staunch in the support of its tenets, he became convinced that the future of the country lay in Democratic hands, and in a Republican district is a proponent of the opposite party, promi-



nent in its councils and campaigns. During World War I, Maurice J. Maurice enlisted in the United States Navy, and served his country from 1917 to 1921. For the most part he was stationed on the U.S.S. "Montana," the U.S.S. "Thatcher," and the U.S.S. "McCormick" (223). He figures actively in the American Legion, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and has served as Departmental Aide-de-Camp in the Department of Maine. He worships in the Roman Catholic faith as a member of St. Ignatius Parish, Sanford, and is identified with religious and charitable projects.

In St. Ignatius Church, Sanford, December 26, 1922, Maurice Joseph Maurice married Jennie English, who was born at Wilton, New Hampshire, on February 20, 1897, daughter of Jerome and Amanda (Lamy) English. Mr. and Mrs. Maurice are the parents of a son: Raymond Albert, who was born at Sanford, June 25, 1929; a graduate of St. Ignatius High School, Sanford, and a student at St. Michael's College, Winooski Park, Vermont, and the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana.

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#### **WALLACE, Thomas W.**

Engaged in the banking field in Maine and New Hampshire throughout his career, Thomas W. Wallace has for over twenty-five years of that time been treasurer of the Sanford Trust Company, and a director on its board. Mr. Wallace has done much for civic life outside of his professional capacity. He has served on the board of the Associated Hospital Service of the State of Maine, and is a trustee and director of the Henrietta D. Goodall Hospital, and a trustee of the library in Sanford.

Born in Columbia, New Hampshire, January 6, 1886, Mr. Wallace is a son of

Anson H. and Clara (LeGro) Wallace. His mother was a native of Columbia, New Hampshire, as was Anson H. Wallace, who followed in his home locality the occupation of farmer. He was a pioneer in this locality, and the nearest neighboring farm to his homestead was thirty miles distant, at Lancaster, New Hampshire. The deed to Anson Wallace's farm dates from 1786, his great-grandfather, William Wallace, having owned this acreage.

Thomas W. Wallace, however, determined, on graduation from Colebrook Academy in the class of 1905, to enter the banking field, and in 1907 he became associated with the Berlin National Bank of Berlin, New Hampshire, in the capacity of clerk, serving his apprenticeship there and gaining invaluable grounding in his profession. He remained with Berlin National Bank until 1910, and from that year until 1915 was with the Lancaster Savings Bank in the town of that name, also in New Hampshire.

From 1915 dates Mr. Wallace's residence in Sanford, whither he came to accept the post of assistant treasurer with the Sanford Trust Company. After nine years in this office, he was promoted, in 1924, to the treasurership, becoming also trust officer, and a member of the board of directors. These responsibilities Mr. Wallace has ably carried to the present time.

The Sanford Trust Company is a sound institution, serving the various banking needs of citizens of this section of the Pine Tree State for many years. It is a member of the Federal Reserve System, and of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and well merits its slogan: "The Bank for You."

Mr. Wallace, who long since earned an excellent reputation among the leaders in



political affairs in York County and the state, is a member of the board of directors of the Associated Hospital Service of the state of Maine. He has been a trustee and director of the Henrietta D. Goodall Hospital, Inc., of Sanford, since its founding in 1929. A Republican in his politics, he is highly regarded in the councils of that party. He is a trustee of the Louis B. Goodall Library in Sanford, and in other ways participates as a good citizen in the worth-while activities of his community.

Affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Mr. Wallace is a member of the lodge at Lancaster, New Hampshire, and is a member of the chapter of the Royal Arch Masons in Lancaster, the Maine Consistory, and all other bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, including the Thirty-second degree. Most of his Masonic affiliations are centered in Portland. He is also a member of the Goodall Town and Country Club at Sanford, and of the Appalachian Mountain Club of Boston, Massachusetts. This latter affiliation is in line with Mr. Wallace's favorite recreation of mountain climbing. He is also a skilled amateur photographer. His religious connection is with the North Parish Congregational Church in Sanford.

Mr. Wallace is unmarried.

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#### SMITH, A. Edwin

A. Edwin Smith, clerk and auditor of the city of Portland, has made a lifelong career of public service; and has filled the two positions which he now holds for over twenty-five years. Mr. Smith is also active as a fraternalist, and is a popular figure in the city's affairs.

He is a native of that city, born August 15, 1885, son of William H. and Margaret

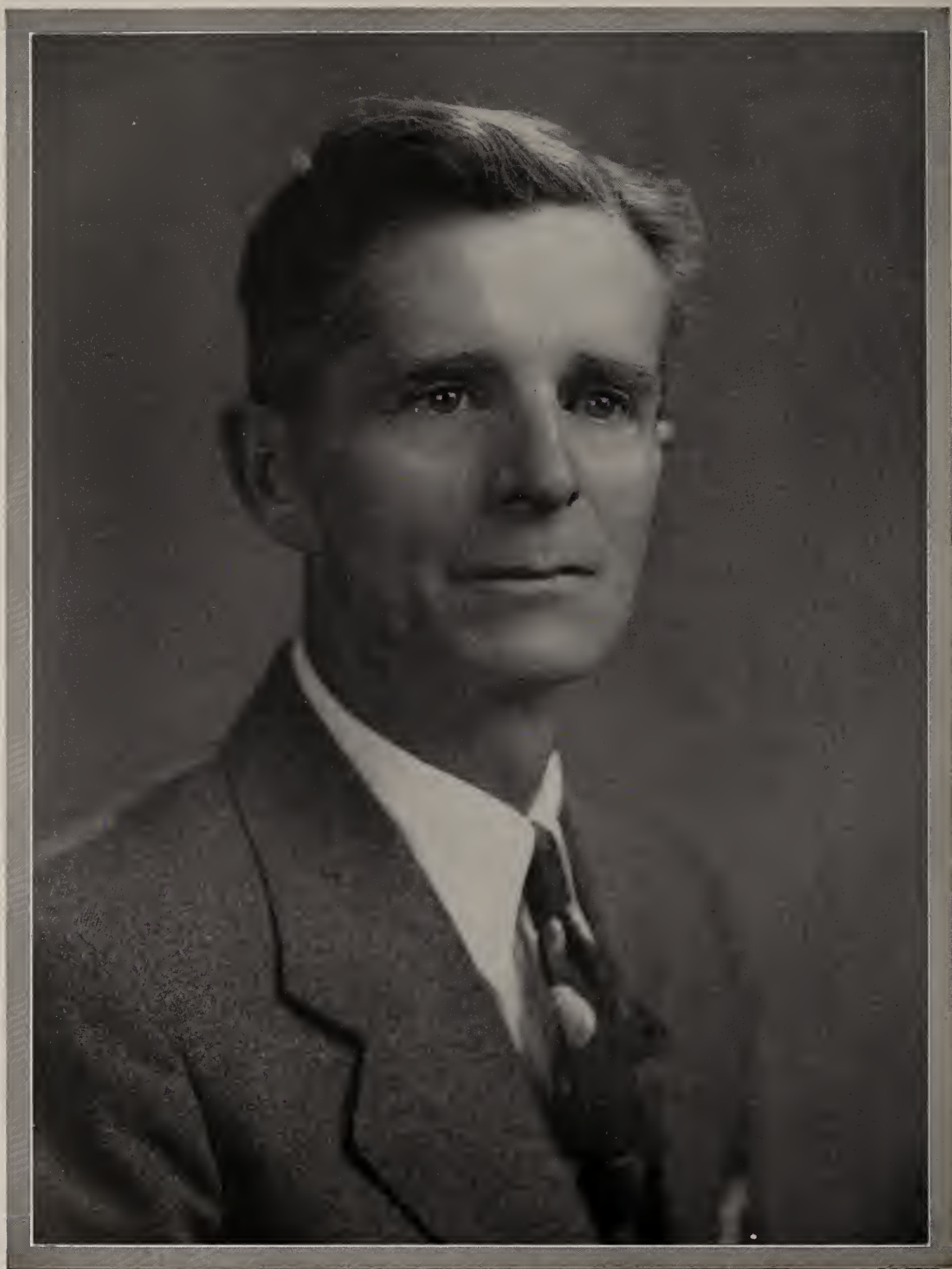
C. Smith, both of whom likewise were born in Portland. He attended local public schools in his native place, and concluded his secondary education at Mount Hermon School, in the well-known educational center of Northfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Smith then entered Temple University. On completing his courses there he returned to his native Portland. He was at that time only twenty years of age. His long period of public service, began, however, in that year, 1905. At that time he entered the city treasurer's office in the capacity of clerk; and he remained there until 1923, advancing and accepting an increasing degree of responsibility in connection with the work of that city department.

In 1923, Mr. Smith, having earned the confidence of the citizens through his long and devoted service, was elected to the office of city clerk, and two years later became city auditor, holding both positions concurrently. He has retained both these important offices since, his ability and conscientious attention to administrative detail earning for him the increasing confidence of the people.

Mr. Smith is a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge, in Portland, of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He is Past Master of the Portland Council; a member of Greenleaf Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Past Commander of the Portland Commandery, Knights Templar. He is affiliated with all Masonic bodies of the Scottish Rite up to and including the Thirty-second degree. Mr. Smith is also a member of the Portland Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

In Portland, October 11, 1909, A. Edwin Smith married Martha B. Ferris, residing in that city, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Ferris. Mr. and Mrs. Smith





Bernard A. Hervey



are the parents of a son, Kenneth E. Smith, M.D., who was born in Portland October 27, 1912. Dr. Smith is a graduate of Deering High School in Portland, and of the University of Maine with the degree of Bachelor of Science. He received his medical education at Tufts Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts; and during World War II served in the United States Navy Medical Corps, holding the rank of lieutenant commander. He was stationed in the Pacific Theater of Operations. He is now practicing as a physician in Portland. Dr. Kenneth E. Smith married Ida Vose Woodbury of Portland, and they are the parents of two children: Martha L. and Peter K. Smith.

Mr. Smith's offices are in the city hall in Portland, and he and Mrs. Smith reside in that city.

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#### **KENNEY, Bernard Wilford**

Presque Isle is the home of a leading figure among potato growers, Bernard Wilford Kenney. Known throughout the state, he is one of those who has helped Maine achieve its present place in the nation's economy.

Mr. Kenney was born at Glenwood, Yarmouth County, Nova Scotia, on July 4, 1893, son of the late Rueben A. and Emma (Saunders) Kenney. His father, who was born at Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, in 1864, and who died in November, 1913, was a cook on a fishing vessel. The mother was a native of Deerfield, Yarmouth County, Nova Scotia. After completing his education, which he obtained in the public schools of his native Glenwood, Bernard Kenney worked for a time near home. When he was eighteen years old, he went to Sanford, Maine, and there for two years was employed in a woolen mill. In 1913 Mr. Kenney moved to Pres-

que Isle, where until 1921 he worked as a farm hand. He then purchased his first farm. This consists of eighty-five acres and is the site of his home. Later he added to the original acreage and today he has five hundred and sixty-five acres, of which one hundred and sixty-five are tillable. In 1949 he had forty-two acres planted to seed potatoes on the home farm. He cultivates additional acreage in partnership with his youngest son, Lyle. In the peak season Mr. Kenney and his son employ about twenty persons.

Mr. Kenney is a Republican. He is a member of the Aroostook County Grange No. 260, Patrons of Husbandry; of Washburn Lodge No. 193, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; of the Aroostook County Farm Bureau; and of the Maine Potato Growers Association. He and his family worship in the Methodist Church. Hunting and fishing are his favorite sports.

Mr. Kenney married Iva Bean of Presque Isle at Perth, New Brunswick, on October 25, 1912. Mrs. Kenney's parents were Frank Bean, a native of Parkman, and Lena (Hipps) Bean, born in Pennsylvania; both are deceased. Twelve children were born to the marriage: 1. Opal May, now the wife of Alden Bagley and mother of Sterling Richard, Winston Bernard, Carlene Esther and Marolyn Louise Bagley. 2. Audrey Arlene. 3. Mildred Evelyn, wife of William Lint and mother of Claudine Joyce, William Cecil and Anna Louise Lint. 4. Harold Franklin (q.v.). 5. Murray Eugene (q.v.). 6. Ruth Lillian, wife of Joseph Chaisson and mother of Wayne Joseph and Janice Ann Chaisson. 7. Donald Wilford, who was born on March 28, 1922, and died May 1, 1923. 8. Beryl Llewellyn (q.v.). 9. Rowena Marguerite, the wife of Robert Gove and mother of Marie Louise Gove. 10. Lyle

Wilford (q.v.). 11. Christine Marie. 12. Althea Joyce. Biographical accounts of four sons accompany this record.

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**KENNEY, Harold Franklin**

Owner and operator of three farms, Harold Franklin Kenney of Presque Isle is one of the big seed potato growers of Aroostook County. He is a man who is also active in civic and agricultural affairs and in the Masonic fraternity.

Born at Presque Isle on November 21, 1916, Harold Franklin Kenney is the son of Bernard Wilford Kenney (q.v.), a leading potato grower in the Presque Isle area, and Iva (Bean) Kenney. He was educated in the elementary and high schools of Mapleton, graduating from the Mapleton High School in 1935, and until he was about twenty-seven, he farmed with his father. In 1943, he purchased a farm for himself on the State Road, west of Presque Isle, where he lives today. This property, known as Ridout Farm, consists of one hundred acres, of which sixty-five are tillable. He owns two other farms; one at Mapleton, with fifty-eight acres, the other at Washburn, with eighty acres. In 1949 Mr. Kenney had forty-three acres planted to certified seed potatoes. In his busier seasons he employs fifteen persons.

He is active in the Maine Potato Growers Association and the Aroostook County Farm Bureau; and in such bodies as the Blue Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Garfield Chapter No. 48, Royal Arch Masons; and Washburn Council No. 193, Royal and Select Masters. He is a Republican and a Methodist.

Mr. Kenney married Phyllis Welts at Presque Isle on November 26, 1938. Born at Mapleton on October 24, 1920, Mrs. Kenney is the daughter of Hartley Welts, who was born at Castle Hill on July 6,

1889, and Pearl (Sawyer) Welts, who was born at Castle Hill on March 22, 1901. Mr. and Mrs. Kenney are the parents of three children: Gary Harold, born at Presque Isle on July 2, 1939; Joyce Frances, born at Mapleton on June 22, 1940; and Preston Lee, born at Presque Isle on February 28, 1947.

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**KENNEY, Murray Eugene**

Member of the renowned Kenney family which is making so outstanding a contribution in Maine's "potato land," Murray Eugene Kenney of Presque Isle is himself an important grower of seed potatoes. He is also active in farmers' groups, in civic affairs, and in Masonry.

Murray Eugene Kenney was born in Presque Isle on October 3, 1918, the son of Bernard Wilford (q.v.) and Iva (Bean) Kenney. Mr. Kenney is a graduate of the elementary and high schools of Mapleton, having been a member of the high school class of 1936. Like his brothers who made their start in association with their father and are now independently successful as potato growers, Murray Kenney began his career on the family farm. In November, 1943, when he was twenty-five years old, he purchased the Harry Conant farm on the Washburn Road west of Presque Isle. This consists of one hundred and fifteen acres, sixty-five of which are tillable. Mr. Kenney also owns a sixty-acre farm at Mapleton. There forty-five acres are tillable. In 1949 he planted fifty-four acres to seed potatoes. In busy seasons twelve persons are employed on his farms.

He is a member of the Aroostook County Farm Bureau; the Maine Potato Growers Association; the Young Farmers Association; the Presque Isle Fish and Game Club; the Blue Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Garfield







Harold L. Tenny



*Murray E. Kenney*









*Beryl L. Kenney*



Lyle W. Kenney





Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, at Caribou; and Washburn Council No. 193, Royal and Select Masters. He is a Republican and with his family he worships in the Methodist Church. His recreations are fishing and hunting.

Mr. Kenney married Lena Mae Dudley at Presque Isle on March 2, 1940. Mrs. Kenney was born at Castle Hill on March 27, 1920, and is the daughter of Warren and Ethel Mae (Bird) Dudley. Her father was born in Castle Hill on April 17, 1893. Her mother, who died in that community on May 20th, 1928, was born there on January 1, 1892. Mr. and Mrs. Kenney became the parents of five children: 1. Russell Eugene, born on October 12, 1940. 2. Darrell Kirsten, born on November 18, 1942, who died on October 18, 1944. 3. Clayton Dudley, born May 25, 1944, who died June 12, 1947. 4. Maylen Curtis, born on May 17, 1948. 5. Kendall Lewis, born November 4, 1949. Presque Isle was the birthplace of all the children.

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#### **KENNEY, Beryl Llewellyn**

A grower of potatoes with a rapidly spreading reputation, Beryl Llewellyn Kenney of Presque Isle also raises grain and maintains a small herd of cows. He is one of the group of younger farmers who are devoting themselves to the development of Modern Maine and is active in agricultural, in Masonic and in other organizations.

Born at Mapleton on September 3, 1923, Mr. Kenney is the son of Bernard Wilford Kenney (q.v.), the prominent Aroostook County agriculturist, and Iva (Bean) Kenney. Following his graduation from the Mapleton High School in 1941, B. L. Kenney continued an association with his father begun in childhood. He worked on the home farm until 1946, when he pur-

chased the Devoe Farm on Creasey Ridge Road near the airport at Presque Isle. This farm consists of seventy acres, sixty-six of which are tillable. In 1949 Mr. Kenney had forty-five acres planted to seed potatoes. In his busy season he employs eighteen persons. He also raises grain and has a herd of five cows.

Mr. Kenney is active in the Aroostook County Grange; in the Maine Potato Growers Association; in the Young Farmers Association; in Washburn Lodge No. 193, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; in Garfield Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, at Caribou; and in Washburn Council, Royal and Select Masters. He is a Republican. He worships in the Methodist Church.

Mr. Kenney married Donna Elaine White at Presque Isle on November 8, 1947. Mrs. Kenney is the daughter of Evans and Myra (Devoe) White of Fort Fairfield. A daughter, Elaine Jean, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenney on September 17, 1948.

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#### **KENNEY, Lyle Wilford**

The State Road Feeder Farm on State Highway 163, between Presque Isle and Mapleton, is one of the large units in the Maine potato industry. Owned and operated by Lyle Wilford Kenney, it has grown considerably in the short time since he acquired it. One of the younger men in the potato industry, Mr. Kenney is already well-known and influential in his area.

The son of Bernard Wilford Kenney (q.v.), with whom he does some farming as a partnership, and of Iva (Bean) Kenney, Lyle Wilford Kenney was born at Mapleton on April 5, 1928. He received all his education in Mapleton's public schools, and was graduated from the Ma-

pleton High School in 1946. Until the Spring of 1949 he worked with his father on the old home farm. Then he purchased the State Road Feeder Farm of one hundred and twelve acres and since then has worked this land. He has sixty-one acres under cultivation, twenty-seven of them in seed potatoes. The farm lies close to Mapleton.

Mr. Kenney is active in the Aroostook County Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, and in the Maine Potato Growers Association. He is a member of Washburn Lodge No. 193, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He is a Republican.

On February 23, 1949, at Presque Isle, he married Dawn Packard of Mapleton, the daughter of Boone and Martha (Brason) Packard of Fort Fairfield. They worship in the Methodist Church. Mr. Kenney's favorite sports are hunting and fishing.

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#### **LOVE, Robert B., M.D.**

Conducting an extensive practice as physician and surgeon in Gorham, Robert B. Love, M.D., established his office there on completion of his professional studies more than twenty years ago. Dr. Love is a member of the staff of the Maine General Hospital in Portland, and has served his home community in the capacity of school physician. He also has a creditable record of service as an army officer in World War II.

Dr. Love was born in Danforth, November 17, 1901, son of the late Dr. Robert James and Nettie A. (White) Love. His father was a native of New Brunswick, Canada, and graduated from the College of the City of New York with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in the class of 1885. He practiced at Danforth until his death, on June 15, 1915, in consequence of an automobile accident. His wife, the

former Nettie A. White, was born in Danforth. She now makes her home with her son.

Dr. Robert B. Love attended the local schools of Danforth and graduated from the high school there. He then entered Bowdoin College, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1923; and continuing his professional studies at the Yale School of Medicine, New Haven, Connecticut, he received from that institution the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1926. Dr. Love's internship was served at the Maine General Hospital at Portland, and he has retained his connection with that hospital, being a member of its staff at the present time.

In 1927 Dr. Robert B. Love established practice at Gorham, and has since maintained his office at 75 Main Street. His practice has grown with the years, indicating gratifying recognition of his professional qualifications. He is a popular member of the community, in the life of which he takes a responsible part. In addition to having served for several years as school physician of the town of Gorham, Dr. Love has been connected with banking activities, and is a member of the corporation of the Gorham Savings Bank. He is a member of the Gorham Kiwanis Club, and chairman of the board of trustees of his church, the Methodist. Dr. Love is a member of Harmony Lodge in Gorham of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and also of the Gorham lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He enjoys music as a hobby, boating as an invigorating outdoor activity, and is also a skilled amateur photographer.

Dr. Love's professional affiliations are with the American Medical Association, the Maine Medical Association, and the Cumberland County Medical Association,



as well as the Portland Medical Club. In his professional capacity he served in World War II. As a lieutenant colonel in the United States Army Medical Corps from 1941 to 1945, he saw action with the 3rd Army under General George S. Patton, Jr., during the spectacular European campaigns; his entire service on foreign soil was in the European Theater of Operations. He has retained membership in the United States Army Reserve Officers Corps.

At Brunswick, June 29, 1926, Robert B. Love, M.D., married Nellie M. Dunham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Dunham of Brunswick, Maine. Dr. and Mrs. Love are the parents of a daughter Barbara, who was born at the Maine General Hospital in Portland on May 30, 1930. She is attending Gorham High School. The family resides at 75 Main Street in Gorham.

#### **PAPAS, John**

John Papas, who settled in New England on coming to this country from his native Greece, has found this northeastern area of the United States a congenial location for the productive use of his varied business abilities. He has successfully operated a cafe at Sanford; an apparel shop, also at Sanford; and another at Biddeford. Mr. Papas retains his place of residence at Sanford, where he is active in organizational affairs and in the good works of the community.

John Papas was born April 15, 1894 at Polena, Messenia, Greece, son of the Rev. Father Georgiopoulos Panagiotes Papas, priest of the Greek Orthodox Church, and of Katherine (Andrianopoulos) Papas. Mr. Papas obtained the equivalent of a high school education in his native land, after which he came to the United States, landing in this country on April 1, 1912, and settling first at Dover, New Hamp-

shire, with a group of fellow countrymen. He moved in 1914 to Haverhill, Massachusetts, and later to Lawrence, Massachusetts. Still later Mr. Papas took up residence in Boston, and during these years he was engaged in the restaurant business. In 1922 he came to Sanford to actively manage his own enterprise, the Sanford Cafe.

In 1926 Mr. Papas first entered another line of endeavor, in which he was to achieve more conspicuous success, and with which his name has been chiefly identified. In that year he established a ladies' apparel shop in Sanford, which has been conducted by Mrs. Papas, and which retains her name as its corporate designation. Mrs. Papas, prior to her marriage had worked as saleslady in a women's apparel shop, and her able management has brought expanding business which has encouraged the development of two branches of this ready-to-wear retailing outlet. On June 5, 1931, Mr. and Mrs. Papas opened a similar shop at Biddeford which they still own and operate; and the same year also saw the beginning of operation of a store at Rochester, New Hampshire, which, however, was sold in 1938. In May, 1932, there was opened on Brown Street, in Portland, another store, but this too the owners disposed of, in the year following its purchase. The establishment at Dover, New Hampshire, was opened on October 13, 1933, and is still in operation under direction of Christos Papas.

John Papas is a member of the lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Sanford, the Sanford Lions Club, and the Sanford Club, and maintains friendly contact with his business colleagues through membership in the Sanford Merchants Association. He is treasurer of the Pan-Messenian Federa-

tion, Inc. Mr. Papas has an interesting hobby: that of collecting books. He has gathered, and read widely, an impressive number of works of both literary and historical categories, and is the possessor of many first editions.

At Sanford, on July 3, 1923, John Papas married Josephine Vachon, of Valley Junction, Province of Quebec, Canada. Mrs. Papas is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Baptiste Vachon, of Valley Junction. She has proved herself an able and conscientious partner of Mr. Papas in the successful operation of their business ventures.

#### MAINE FISH MEAL COMPANY

The Maine Fish Meal Company of Portland is a firm manufacturing marine by-products, putting to ingenious and invaluable use a part of that wealth of the sea which comes to Maine's shores. Its products bear the trade name of Maine Concentrate and Maine Vitaproil. The firm has been in existence about twenty years, having been established in 1928 by Thomas Letson, who has since been its president. Other officers of the Maine Fish Meal Company are Stanley W. Letson, vice president; Hubert H. Hauck, assistant treasurer and secretary; and Herbert M. Porch, treasurer.

Thomas H. Letson, founder and president, was born in Middlebush, New Jersey, in April, 1875. He received his education in the public schools of New Brunswick, New Jersey, and is a graduate of Rutgers University, in the same state, with the degree of Civil Engineer.

For seventeen years thereafter Mr. Letson was employed by the American Hoist and Derrick Company of St. Paul, Minnesota, becoming sales manager in the firm's New York office. In 1917 he applied his experience to the establishment of his own business in New York City,

specializing in the sale of industrial machinery. He came to Maine in 1928, and in that year founded the Maine Fish Meal Company, whose activities he has directed to the present time. Mr. Letson has seen his enterprise win recognition for its utilization of marine by-products, a work of considerable commercial significance; and its payroll now lists thirty-five names.

Active in local and statewide organizations as well as in fraternal groups, Thomas H. Letson is a member of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce, the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and the Portland Rotary Club. Since his college days, he has been affiliated with Phi Gamma Delta national fraternity, and he is a member of the New Brunswick Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Newark Commandery of the Knights Templar, and Salaam Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, also in Newark, New Jersey. Locally, Mr. Letson is a member of the Cumberland Club and the Portland Country Club; and is also a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau. He attends the First Parish Unitarian Church of Portland.

Thomas H. Letson married Eleanor J. Cumberson of Red Bank, New Jersey, a graduate of New Jersey College for Women, New Brunswick, in the class of 1922. They have become the parents of the following children: 1. Stanley W., of whom further. 2. Miriam, who like her mother attended New Jersey College for Women. She married Herbert M. Porch. 3. Eleanor, a graduate of Westbrook Junior College. She married Hubert H. Hauck. Summaries of the careers of Herbert M. Porch and Hubert H. Hauck follow.

Stanley W. Letson, vice president of the Maine Fish Meal Company, and son



of its founder, was born in New Brunswick, New Jersey, June 12, 1912. He attended public schools there, and graduated from New Brunswick High School, thereafter attending Rutgers University, of which his father is an alumnus. Associated with his father in business since the time of his graduation, he has advanced steadily in his responsibilities and holds the office of vice president. He is a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and of Portland Country Club.

In Portland, June 28, 1941, Stanley W. Letson married Helen F. Glasier of Portland, daughter of Dean and Mrs. J. Arthur Glasier. Her father is dean of St. Paul's Cathedral in Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley W. Letson have three children: i. Sally Jean, born in Portland, November 25, 1942. ii. Deborah Warren, born February 27, 1945. iii. Jane Lee, born May 26, 1949. All three children were born in Portland.

Hubert H. Hauck, now assistant treasurer and secretary of the Maine Fish Meal Company, is a native of Ohio, and a graduate of Harvard University in the class of 1938. He is a member of the school board of Falmouth, Maine, where he makes his home; a member of the board of directors of the Portland Chamber of Commerce; a member of the Portland Community Chest; and an incorporator of the Portland Savings Bank. He has taken an important place among the younger leaders of the city through his participation in community affairs. He belongs to the Harvard Varsity Club, and attends the State Street Congregational Church in Portland. Mr. Hauck holds the Thirty-second degree in the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and is a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge in Portland. During World War II, Mr.

Hauck served in the United States Navy with the rating of petty officer. He is a member of the Falmouth Memorial Post of the American Legion, and a member also of the Portland Rotary Club, the Portland Country Club, and the Cumberland Club.

Hubert H. Hauck married Eleanor Letson, younger daughter of Thomas H. and Eleanor (Cumberson) Letson. They are the parents of three children, all born in Portland: Thomas Andrew, Bruce Arthur, and John Allen.

Herbert M. Porch, treasurer of the Maine Fish Meal Company, is a native of New Jersey, and a graduate of Rutgers University. He became associated with the firm in 1934, and has been with it in responsible capacity since that time, with the exception of the World War II period when he served as captain in the United States Army Antiaircraft Corps, with which he saw overseas service in the European Theater of Operations. Mr. Porch is a member of the Ancient Landmark Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Portland, and holds the Thirty-second degree, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. He is a member of Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in Lewiston, Maine. As a veteran he has retained membership in the Reserve Officers Association. Locally, he belongs to the Cumberland Club and the Portland Country Club.

Herbert M. Porch married the former Miriam Letson, daughter of Thomas H. and Eleanor J. (Cumberson) Letson. Mr. and Mrs. Porch are the parents of three children: Joan, Stephen, and Herbert Thomas, all born in Portland.

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#### **ABBOTT, Floyd N.**

Floyd N. Abbott is manager for the



state of Maine of the Phoenix-London Group of fire and casualty insurance companies, whose Maine Service Office is located in Portland. Mr. Abbott has devoted his career to the insurance business, and his thorough understanding of the field makes his counsel in this regard highly valued. His offices are at 178 Middle Street.

A native of the Pine Tree State, Mr. Abbott was born at Albion on April 16, 1903. He is a son of Charles W. and Cordelia (Libby) Abbott; and his father, a native of Benton, is now retired as postmaster at Albion, where he served for over twenty-five years. He was born in 1865. His wife, the former Cordelia Libby, was born in Albion, where she now resides.

A graduate of the Besse High School in Albion, Floyd N. Abbott entered the University of Maine where in 1925 he was granted the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In the year of his graduation he became submaster of the Hartland Academy in Hartland, Maine; and the next year accepted an even more promising appointment in the educational field as principal of the Patten Academy in the town of that name. In 1930, however, having determined that his true calling lay in the insurance field, he associated himself with the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut in the capacity of casualty special agent for the company's state of Maine territory. With this firm, one of the largest in the insurance business, he gained invaluable experience which determined in large measure his subsequent success in positions of larger responsibility. He remained with Travelers until 1944, in which year he formed his present association with the Phoenix-London Group, of whose

Maine Service Office in Portland he was placed in charge. He remains in the position of manager for the state of Maine to the present time.

The Phoenix-London Group comprises a number of important fire and casualty insurance companies. In the former category are included the Phoenix Assurance Company, Ltd.; the Columbia Insurance Company of New York; the Imperial Assurance Company; the Union Marine and General Insurance Company, Ltd.; and the United Firemen's Insurance Company of Philadelphia. In the casualty group are the London Guarantee and Accident Company, Ltd., and the Phoenix Indemnity Company.

Mr. Abbott is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and is a member of Central Lodge No. 45, at China, Maine. He is graduate advisor for the states of Maine and New Hampshire for Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, a position he has held since 1944.

At Fairfield, July 30, 1932, Floyd N. Abbott married Edith Knowlton of that town, daughter of Dr. Frank A. and Isabelle (Swett) Knowlton. Mrs. Abbott is a graduate of Lawrence High School at Fairfield, and of Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1927. She received her Master of Arts degree from Colby College in 1930. From 1927 to 1929 Mrs. Abbott taught English and dramatics at Colebrook, New Hampshire, and during 1930-1931 taught English at Norwood High School, Norwood, Massachusetts. From 1931 until 1938, she was head of the English and dramatics department at Thornton Academy in Saco. In the summer of 1930 Mrs. Abbott studied abroad, being enrolled at the University of London, England, where





*Stanley G. Beckwith*



she took courses in preparation for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Mr. and Mrs. Abbott reside at 342 Spring Street, Portland.

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**BECKWITH, Stanley G.**

In the course of an active career Stanley G. Beckwith has risen to prominence in the certified seed potato business of the Presque Isle section of Aroostook County. Although born and reared on a Maine farm, a half dozen years of experience in mechanical lines of endeavor have been an important factor in his career as an expert agronomist and land owner.

Mr. Beckwith was born in Presque Isle, on November 7, 1905, son of James W. and Luella (Bagley) Beckwith, both natives of Maine. His mother was born at Bangor, and his father, born at Mapleton, Aroostook County, spent his lifetime in this part of the State engaged in agriculture. He was a member of the board of selectmen of Presque Isle, an influential citizen in community affairs, whose death at the age of sixty-eight years was sincerely mourned by a host of friends.

After being graduated from the Presque Isle High School, with the class of 1923, Stanley G. Beckwith remained in the town following the trade of mechanic in a local automobile agency for six years. During this period and for two years in Chicago, he became familiar not only with the automotive industry and machinery in general, but with many problems of marketing that often are difficult features in successful agriculture. In 1927, upon the passing of his father, he came to the aid of his mother in the farming of the home place. Not until a decade later did he branch out in separate farm operation, and in 1942 he purchased what was known as the A. G. Stairs farm of some seventy acres, on the Easton Road near

Presque Isle. In 1946 he acquired the John Erskine farm, also on Easton Road, approximately seventy acres, and currently is a large scale producer of certified seed potatoes.

He co-operates with fellow growers and town officials; is a member of the Farm Bureau, being a former chairman of its local committee; is chairman of the Production Marketing Administration Committee; and is active in the Presque Isle Chamber of Commerce and the Abnaki Club. He is of the Protestant faith and identified with many local charities and local welfare groups. He hunts and fishes when time permits, and in politics is a Republican.

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**WARD, Murland G.**

One of the products for which Maine is most justly famous is its sea food. In the packing and distribution of this important item in the national diet, a leader is Murland G. Ward. He is president of the firm of Ward's Sea Food, Inc., of Portland, which deals in fish of all kinds at wholesale. Mr. Ward has headed his own organization since 1930, having begun his business career as a railroad employee and shipping clerk.

Born in Windham, December 20, 1894, Murland G. Ward is a son of the late Herbert and Blanche (Megguire) Ward, his mother still living in her early eighties. Both parents were natives of Windham, and Herbert Ward was a stationary engineer throughout his career. A part of his years he was employed by the Grand Trunk Railroad, and on the ferries which docked at Portland piers.

In the Windham and South Portland public schools, Murland G. Ward received his early education, after which he spent two years at the Connecticut Agricultural College, now the Univer-

sity of Connecticut, located at Storrs. From 1916 to 1921 Mr. Ward was employed by the Boston and Maine Railroad in Portland, in the capacity of freight house clerk; with the exception of the World War I period when he served in the United States Army with the rank of sergeant. In 1921 began nine years of association with Armour and Company as shipping clerk, and while at that task he learned much which was to benefit him when he entered business in his own right, as a dealer in sea food.

This time came in 1930 when, despite general unfavorable economic conditions throughout the country, he established the firm since known as Ward's Sea Food, Inc. The "Incorporated" was added to its designation, however, on March 15, 1948. The firm, dealing wholesale in fish, supplies the market throughout New England and New York.

Mr. Ward is a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau. As a veteran, he is a member of the Stewart Morrell Post of the American Legion in South Portland. In that city also, he attends the Congregational Church.

In Portland, September 3, 1923, Murland G. Ward married Alice E. Duffy, daughter of Bernard and Loretta (Wallace) Duffy. Mr. and Mrs. Ward are the parents of a daughter, Diane Mary, born November 11, 1940, at Boston, Massachusetts, and now attends Lincoln Street School in South Portland. In that community, the family make their home.

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### CASCO BAY LINES

Story has it, whether any one has ever counted them, that Casco Bay contains three hundred sixty-five islands. Every day the steamers of the Casco Bay Lines make several round trips to the principal

islands and resorts offering the vacationist a trip, either long or short, to suit his every mood. The wooded islands offer the advantages of fishing, rowing, swimming, and natural beauty. The delicious air from the sea makes an ideal summer atmosphere, and hotel and home accommodations are available on many of the islands.

The first known tourist in this area, Captain John Smith, visited Casco Bay under its Indian name of "Aucocisco." With eight men, Smith left his vessel and explored the coast and found the Penobscot River to Cape Cod. At Custom House Wharf, jutting into Portland Harbor, from which the sightseer embarks on his sail to the islands, are boats of all descriptions, many of them from foreign ports, as well as numerous pleasure and fishing boats. The first port of call is Peaks Island, reached after steaming across the Bay past old Fort Gorges, completed about 1864, and Fort Scammell. Both forts are now obsolete, having been replaced by modern shore batteries at Fort Preble, Fort Williams, and Fort McKinley. From the point the journey has been fascinatingly described as follows:

"From the highest elevation on Peaks, several hundred feet, a really magnificent view is obtained of Portland Harbor, the open Atlantic Ocean, and the White Mountains to the westward eighty miles away. Over on the mainland you can see Fort Preble, which was originally completed in 1812, and the single spire of Portland Headlight finished in 1790 which has never been rebuilt. Directly in back of the Headlight is Fort Williams and way out on the tip of Cape Elizabeth, the white spire of the "Two Lights" Lighthouse. Here on Peaks there is plenty to entertain—deep-sea fishing, boating, bathing, dancing, bowling, shooting, and pleasant drives.

"The lights from the cottage windows at Peaks, along the highlands, shine brightly upon the neighbors residing on the two Diamond Is-



lands, Little and Great. The two islands are connected by a sand bar which is passable at low tide. Great Diamond Island, from its name, takes first place on the coronet of gems of the bay. You will find it is a beautiful spot. For public use there is a fine golf course and located on the island is Fort McKinley, a modern fortification on which are stationed many hundreds of soldiers.

"Long Island lies northeast of Peaks Island and is separated from it by Hussey's Sound. It continues the line of natural breakwaters which enclose and protect Portland Harbor from the dread "nor'easters." Long Island has a number of fine, safe bathing beaches and many beautiful tree-shaded walks. This island is the objective point for many excursion parties, owing to the fact that facilities for clam bakes and shore dinners are available for public use.

"Cliff Island is your next landing. This is but another beauty spot of Casco Bay. Here, so legend tells us, is one of the spots chosen by Captain Kidd to bury his treasure. About seventy-five years ago some \$12,000 in Spanish gold was found by a certain John Wilson.

"Little and Great Chebeague Islands offer the tourist a multitude of delightful outdoor features. Great Chebeague, seven miles long, high and well wooded, offers you a wide variety of sports and amusements. To those who enjoy a good game of golf, an excellent course is available.

"Outside lies Hope Island. Beyond that, again, Jewell's Island—all beautiful and all crowned with forest growth of spruce and pine.

"Half an hour beyond Great Chebeague, and passing Eagle Island, the summer home of the late Admiral Peary, is South Harpswell, a beautiful neck of land stretching into the bay and ocean. Harpswell was the home of Rev. Elijah Kellogg, the famous writer and preacher and one of Bowdoin College's most noted graduates.

"Bailey's Island is a short distance eastward, and this island is noted for the excellency of its summer cottages and beautiful scenery. No prettier spot can be found on the Maine coast than this and it is here that a stopover may be made for lunch and sight-seeing. The Bailey Island Tuna Club, known from coast to coast, is situated at this landing and often times the huge fish weighing up to eight hundred pounds may be seen being brought into this pier."

The boat continues on to Orr's Island, the last port of call, where dinner may be had. Orr's Island, best known to the world at large because of Mrs. Stowe's novel, "The Pearl of Orr's Island," is remarkable for its beautiful scenery and the many odd and strange coast formations. It is rich in Indian legends and tales of once famous sea captains in the old whaling days and era of the East India trade. It is connected by a bridge to the mainland.

The president and general manager of the Casco Bay Lines, which have served this whole area since 1920, is Herbert J. Jacobsen, born July 7, 1908, in Portland, son of E. John and Marie (Khyle) Jacobsen. His parents, of Norwegian birth, settled at Portland and were married here. His father was for thirty years a screen fitter with the Burrows Corporation in Portland, until his retirement. He died in March, 1949.

Herbert J. Jacobsen, after graduation from Deering High School, Portland, became associated with Casco Bay Lines in the summer of 1924. In 1936 he was made manager of the lines, assuming both the presidency and the general managership in 1947, and so continuing down to the time of writing. He is also a director of the Casco Bay Lines. The treasurer is Edward W. Cram, and Nathan W. Thompson is clerk.

Mr. Jacobsen is active in many organizations in Portland, including the Maine Publicity Bureau and the Ancient Landmark Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree of Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Masonry, and is an initiate in Kora Temple (Lewiston) of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He belongs to the Methodist Church.



Herbert J. Jacobsen married in October, 1947, Ella W. Doughty, of Portland, Maine, daughter of Gott and Nellie (Johnson) Doughty. The ceremony took place at Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

#### **FROST, Richard Delmont**

Engaged in the boat and engine business in Portland, Richard Delmont Frost is a partner in the Albert G. Frost Co., distributors of Chris-Craft cruisers, Johnson outboard motors, and a variety of other Marine products including paints, varnishes, accessories, and a full line of outboard motor boats and canoes, including Grumman aluminum canoes.

Mr. Frost was born July 30, 1910, in Portland, son of Albert G. and Emma Antoinette (Scammon) Frost. His father was born in Woodstock, New Brunswick, Canada, in May, 1880, and attended local schools in his native district, although he was largely self-educated. The family settled in Maine when Albert G. Frost was a boy. For more than twenty years, the elder Mr. Frost operated the Portland Garage Company, and later started the Albert G. Frost Co., as the present boat business is known. The boat business dates from April, 1928.

In addition, Albert G. Frost is active in the Portland Rotary Club, the Portland Country Club, the Portland Yacht Club, the Woodfords Club, the Cumberland Fish and Game Club, the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and the Portland Shrine Club. In the Masonic order, he is affiliated with the Ancient Landmark Lodge, holds the Thirty-second degree of Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite (in which he is connected with Maine Consistory), and is connected with Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Albert G. and Emma A. (Scammon) Frost became the parents of the following children: 1. Lawrence E., of Reading, Massachusetts. 2. Stanley C., of Shelton, Washington. 3. Mildred A., now Mrs. Mildred A. Dugas, of Portland. 4. Richard Delmont, of further mention.

Richard Delmont Frost attended public schools in Portland, where he was graduated from Deering High School. In April, 1928 he joined his father in founding the Albert G. Frost Co., mentioned above, dealers in boats and engines, with headquarters at 26 Forest Avenue, Portland 3, Maine. Later, he became a partner with his father.

In addition to his work with this company he is active in different civic and social clubs, including the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Portland Yacht Club, the Cumberland Fish and Game Club, the Maine Publicity Bureau, the Portland Lions Club, the Woodfords Club, and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. Like his father, he is affiliated with Ancient Landmark Lodge and Kora Temple, and holds the Thirty-second degree of Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is also a member of the United States Power Squadron. The family are members of Woodfords Congregational Church.

Richard Delmont Frost married September 29, 1930, in Portland, Helen Louise Locke, a native of Kittery, Maine, daughter of Willard Ethan and Bessie Eldora (Whitehouse) Locke. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Dorcas Anne, born July 4, 1934, a student at Deering High School. 2. Albert G., 2nd, born February 20, 1936, a student at Lincoln Junior High School. 3. and 4. Brenda Carolyn and Brian Willard, born February 13, 1947.





*Ralph D. Brooks*



**BROOKS, Ralph Dunning**

Three generations of the Brooks family, all living in 1949, have helped make Modern Maine the progressive and prosperous state it has become. First there was Charles Melville Brooks, followed by his son, Ralph Dunning Brooks, and by the latter's sons, Ralph Dunning Brooks, Jr., Franklin Luce Brooks and Robert John Brooks. The senior Ralph D. Brooks has a fourth son, yet to make his mark in the world, and there are sons of the third generation, now young children, who are also looked to for outstanding contributions. Ralph Dunning Brooks, Sr., and his two younger sons, Franklin Luce Brooks and Robert John Brooks, are all three in the general insurance business. The oldest son, Ralph Dunning Brooks, Jr., is with Cressey & Allen of Portland.

The senior Ralph D. Brooks was born in Portland on February 3, 1887. His father, Charles Melville Brooks, also a native of Portland, was associated with his son in the insurance business until his retirement. He has been the leader of the Chandler Band of Portland since almost the beginning of the century. The mother is the former Aramede Maria Thayer of Portland.

Following his graduation from the Portland High School, Ralph Dunning Brooks, Sr., entered the employ of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company and from 1905 to 1916 was in its actuarial department. World War I intervened, but since 1919, when he was mustered out of the service, he has been in the general insurance business. His office is at 22 Monument Square, in Portland.

Mr. Brooks was in the Maine National Guard, attached to the First Infantry, from 1904 to 1913. In 1916 he was called into active duty in the 302nd Infantry,

United States Army, and made a first lieutenant. He served throughout World War I and until 1919. In World War II, he was again active in the military service, this time as a lieutenant colonel. He served from 1942 to 1944.

In the years he has been active in business in Portland, Mr. Brooks has also been taking a leading role in civic and public affairs. As early as 1927, he was elected to the Portland City Council, and he served until 1932. In 1930 and 1932 he was chairman of that body. From 1933 to 1940 Mr. Brooks was Portland's Chief of Police, and made a record among the state's law enforcement officials. In 1940 he was Federal Jury Commissioner in the District of Maine and since 1947 he has been a county commissioner in Cumberland County. His term as commissioner runs to 1952. Mr. Brooks is a member of the Harold T. Andrews Post, American Legion, and Memorial Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars. Also, he belongs to Ancient Landmark Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; the Mount Vernon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Portland Council, Royal and Select Masons; St. Alban Commandery, Knights Templar; Maine Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the Thirty-second degree; Kora Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Lewiston, and Put Stevens Court, Royal Order of Jesters, and to the Portland Club.

At Mars Hill, on June 12, 1918, Mr. Brooks married Laura Luce, a native of Mars Hill and daughter of Franklin and Winifred (Boynton) Luce. Altogether, six children were born to them: 1. Ralph D. Brooks, Jr., on April 5, 1920. 2. Mary Elizabeth Brooks, on May 13, 1921. 3. Franklin Luce Brooks, on July 30, 1922. 4. Dorothy Brooks, on December 6, 1926.

5. Robert John Brooks, on February 9, 1928. 6. Edward Cram Brooks, on February 25, 1936. The senior Mr. and Mrs. Brooks and their unmarried children reside at 66 Exeter Street, Portland.

Ralph Dunning Brooks, Jr., who was born at Mars Hill, was graduated from the Deering High School, Portland, in 1938. Then he attended Portland Junior College. He is now in charge of the Appliance Department of Cressey & Allen.

In World War II, Ralph Dunning Brooks, Jr., was a first lieutenant in the United States Army Air Forces, serving from 1942 to 1946. He is now captain of Battery A, 240th Coast Artillery, Maine National Guard. He is a member of the Harold T. Andrews Post No. 17, American Legion, and of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 17, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He worships in Trinity Episcopal Church, Coyle Street, Portland.

Ralph Dunning Brooks, Jr., and Jacquelyn Marie Lucas, daughter of Gabrielle and John Lucas, were married at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, on August 10, 1939. They are the parents of Judith Ann Marie Brooks, born on July 14, 1940, and Ralph Dunning Brooks, III, born on January 9, 1944.

Franklin Luce Brooks, who is in the general insurance business, was educated in Portland's public schools, being graduated from the Deering High School in June, 1941. In World War II, he also served in the United States Army Air Forces, and like his father and brother is a member of the Harold T. Andrews Post, American Legion, as well as of Ancient Landmark Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He is also a member of the Cape Elizabeth Lions Club and the Portland Club, and worships in the State Street Congregational Church, Portland.

Franklin Luce Brooks and Priscilla Leonard, daughter of Charles Wallace and Marjorie (Coffin) Leonard, were married in the State Street Church on September 21, 1946. They have one son, Leonard Luce Brooks, born on June 22, 1947.

Robert John Brooks, who, like his older brothers, was born at Mars Hill, is a graduate of Deering High School and a former student of Portland Junior College. He served in the United States Navy in World War II. He, too, is a member of the Harold T. Andrews Post, American Legion, and the Portland Club.

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#### **HENDRICK, Arthur J.**

As owner and operator of the Hendrick Construction Company in Kennebunkport, Arthur J. Hendrick holds a position of leadership and distinction in his home community and throughout this region of Maine.

Mr. Hendrick was born July 24, 1915, in Arlington, Massachusetts, son of the late Arthur J. and Josephine (McWeeney) Hendrick.

Public schools furnished his early formal education through the high school grades. He was graduated from high school in Arlington in 1934, and attended Lowell Institute from 1934 to 1938. That school, sponsored by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, provided for Arthur J. Hendrick a course in architectural and building design. While studying there, he was associated with the Aberthaw Company in Boston, one of New England's largest contracting firms. Serving in different capacities, either as an engineer or in other technical offices, he continued until 1939 in that connection. From 1939 to 1942 he was with the Gilbane Building Company of Providence,



Rhode Island, serving as their chief purchasing agent.

He was so engaged at the time when he entered the army for service in World War II, enlisting as an aviation cadet in May, 1942, and receiving his commission as a first lieutenant in November, 1943. He was given his "wings" at that time, and subsequently was a pilot instructor at Columbus, Ohio, training the men in flying B-17 bomber, and other types of aircraft, and later being transferred to work on B-29s. He was honorably discharged from the service in November, 1945, although he retained his affiliation with the Air Corps Reserve after that time.

At the conclusion of hostilities he returned to Gilbane Building Company, resuming his post as chief purchasing agent and so remaining until April, 1947, when he established the present Hendrick Construction Company in Kennebunkport. He has been highly successful in his work in this connection, which is mainly concerned with residential construction. He takes a lively interest in Kennebunkport affairs, being a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau, the local Fire Department, and the Lions Club. He is chairman of the Kennebunkport Planning Board and of the committee of the local Boy Scout troop. He is president of the Kennebunkport Town Club and a member of Kennebunkport Lodge No. 159 of the American Legion. He and his family are members of the Village Baptist Church.

Arthur J. Hendrick married, January 1, 1942, in Arlington, Massachusetts, Marguerite E. Bond, daughter of the late Harold A. and Marguerite E. (Knapp) Bond. They became the parents of two children: 1. Shirley Ann, born in November, 1942. 2. Ruth Ellen, born in April,

1947. Mrs. Hendrick was graduated from Arlington High School, and subsequently attended Edgewood Park College, at Briarcliff, New York.

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#### **EMOND, Frank X.**

Since 1922 Frank X. Emond has been engaged in funeral direction in Biddeford, and throughout that period his name has been identified with a superior quality of service. His completely modern funeral home, offering every facility is situated at 72-74 Hill Street in Biddeford.

A native of Biddeford, Mr. Emond was born August 23, 1887, son of Jean and Anastasia (Loisselle) Emond. His father was also engaged as a funeral director, as well as following the occupation of merchant, until the time of his death in 1919. Anastasia (Loisselle) Emond was born in Biddeford.

After receiving his preliminary education in the parochial school of his birthplace, Frank X. Emond continued his studies in the public high school, and then associated himself with his father in the furniture business, in which he remained for a number of years. He had in the meantime undertaken studies at the Boston Institute of Anatomy, and in 1912 received his diploma, after which he was associated with his father's endeavors in both furniture sales and as mortician. After the death of Jean Emond in 1919, Frank X. Emond conducted the business for his mother until July 20, 1922, since which time he has conducted the undertaking business in his own name. For a number of years his funeral parlors were located at 32 Pool Street in Biddeford; and in reference to his establishment at that time a contemporary account relates:



"His modern and well-equipped establishment enables him to skillfully and adequately minister to the needs of his patrons, and his well-furnished and convenient funeral parlor is an accommodation to many. A motor ambulance adds greatly to the efficiency and to the up-to-date-ness of his service, and he is taking care of a clientele drawn not only from Biddeford, but from a large area surrounding this community."

His present location at 72-74 Hill Street, Biddeford, is of course a vast improvement even over his former funeral home. In addition to the full facilities of the mortician's establishment, designed to meet every need and satisfy every demand placed upon it, Mr. Emond also operates an invalid ambulance service. He is, and has long been, a licensed embalmer and funeral director of his state. His management of the Emond Funeral Home is characterized by efficiency, understanding, courtesy and tact; and his many years of experience serve to recommend him to the people of Biddeford in their hour of need. Among them he is well-known and highly esteemed.

Mr. Emond is a member of the Improved Order of Red Men, the Catholic Order of Foresters, and the Union of St. Jean Baptiste. He belongs to several French clubs, and is a former member of the Fremont Club. Other fraternal affiliations are with the lodges of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

In 1913 Frank X. Emond married Marie L. Fournier, of Biddeford, daughter of Philemont and Arthemise (Belanger) Fournier. Marie L. (Fournier) Emond died March 7, 1947. She and Mr. Emond were the parents of the following children: 1. Isabelle, who married Conrad Binnet of Biddeford. They have three children: Patricia, Mark, and Louise M., all born in Biddeford. Mr. Binnet is a grocer and merchant in Biddeford. Mrs.

Binnet is an alumna of Presentation of Mary Convent. 2. Theresa, now Mrs. Ralph Tully of South Portland. They have three children, Louise Marie, Paul, and Roger. Mr. Tully is a theater manager in Portland. 3. John P., now associated with his father in the operation of the Emond Funeral Home. He served in the army during World War II, being stationed in the European Theater of Operations, and seeing action in Germany. 4. Gertrude, who married John F. Conroy of South Portland. He is employed by the Maine Central Railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Conroy are the parents of one son, Jean. 5. Cecile, who married Dr. Gerard Fecteau, who received his degree of Doctor of Medicine at Laval University College of Medicine, Quebec City, and is now an intern at St. Francis Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut. 6. Claire, who married Alexander Grimaldi of South Portland, a moulder by trade, employed at the Portland Stove Foundry. 7. Bernadette, a graduate of St. Andrew's School, now employed at the First National Bank of Biddeford. 8. Florence, a graduate of St. Andrew's Parochial School, now in the employ of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company in Biddeford. 9. Frances, a graduate of Presentation of Mary Convent at Hudson, New Hampshire, who expects to continue her studies at St. Joseph Convent, Portland, Maine.

Frank X. Emond married, second, Mabel Verrier, in April, 1948. She was the widow of Louis Pariseau of Biddeford. The ceremony took place in Hartford, Connecticut.

Mr. Emond has occupied the present premises of his funeral home since 1928. He makes his home in Biddeford, and also has a summer residence at Hill Beach, Maine.

**ST. PETER, Kermit Joseph**

An extraordinary variety of activities have been packed into the career of Kermit Joseph St. Peter, manager of the Rockland plant of the Holmes Packing Company. As a government official he has been an expert in farm products from strawberries to potatoes, served during World War II in important Federal departments and administrations, and after resigning in recent years, turned his attention to the packing of sardines. He knows many parts of North America from the south of Mexico to the north of Canada, including his native Maine, and Louisiana where some of his French Acadian forebears became established.

Kermit Joseph St. Peter was born at Caribou, Maine, on August 21, 1909, son of Archie and Cesarie (Pelletier) St. Peter. His mother is living, now in her early eighties. His father, a proprietor of a hotel and a deputy sheriff of Aroostook County for more than a quarter of a century, died in 1928. The unusual name has been the cause of frequent astonishment and odd situations that have found their way into print, notably when a headline stated "An Angel Admitted St. Peter Through the Gates," an incident when a guard named Angel admitted Inspector St. Peter to a United States project in Virginia.

The years 1928-29 were outstanding in the life of Kermit J. St. Peter. He had completed his formal education in the Caribou High School and the Bay Path Institute, and in 1928 had been appointed an inspector of potatoes for the state of Maine. In the following year he married, and began earning a livelihood in earnest. His post as inspector was a new one in a new field that had not yet been established by law. His work and that of the very few other inspectors, contributed signifi-

cantly to the realization of growers of the value of state-attested qualities of the outstanding agricultural output of Maine. In 1930 Mr. St. Peter moved to a small farm, while continuing his inspection service. His abilities won recognition in appointment, in 1935, to go to Georgia and North Carolina as an inspector.

In 1937 Mr. St. Peter joined the Federal Inspection Service, and worked in Maine with the Agricultural Marketing Administration's Starch Diversion Program. By this same Government bureau he was sent, in 1941, as purchasing agent to follow the peach and apple crops from Tennessee to Michigan; onions, cabbage, citrus fruits from Texas, strawberries from Louisiana, Arkansas and Missouri, with raspberries as a side fruit. The work of Mr. St. Peter in these connections was not so simple as the title "Inspector" might indicate. His was the duty to help in every phase of the fruit-growing industry from planting to reaping, marketing especially, forming the local organizations and the encouragement of processing plants and other means of conserving crops. In 1942 he was placed in charge of shipments of purchases by the Lend-Lease program, at the Richmond, Virginia, depot. A year later he was transferred to Maine, under the purchase branch of the Federal Department of Agriculture, to handle the purchase and shipment of canned fish for the War Food Administration.

With the end of World War II, and a slow decrease in government activities, Mr. St. Peter resigned his position, and became an agent for Durkee's Famous Foods, an International Salt Corporation servicing the sardine packing industry with salts, oils, and other requirements. The further step he took in 1947 was logical, for he became manager of the



Rockland Plant of the big Holmes Packing Corporation. This company purchased the Rockland plant in 1947 from the Rockland Packing Company. Some six thousand bushels of sardines, about 650,000 pounds, are secured from independent seiners weekly, to whom the Company furnishes the gear. Some two hundred and fifty to three hundred people are employed during the season.

To a certain extent Mr. St. Peter remains a farmer, insofar as doing things on the fifteen acres that surround his home. In politics he is a Republican, service under a Democratic administration notwithstanding. He figures prominently in the Rockland Chamber of Commerce, and in community projects, and has traveled extensively not only in the United States, but in Canada and Mexico. He worships in the Catholic faith.

On September 3, 1929, at Van Buren, Maine, Kermit Joseph St. Peter married Loretta May Paradis, of that town, daughter of George and Elise (Thibadeau) Paradis, both of whom are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. St. Peter are the parents of the following children: 1. Leatrice Marie, born October 7, 1930. 2. Raymond Edward, born October 30, 1931. 3. Kermit Joseph, Jr., born October 23, 1932. 4. Elaine Enid, born March 24, 1934. 5. Mary Laurie, born February 4, 1937. 6. George Joseph, born March 25, 1938. 7. Joann Dolores, born July 13, 1940.

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#### **BRAGDON, Harold**

Member of the third generation of the Bragdon family to be citizens of Perham in Aroostook County, Harold Bragdon has continued in the paths his forebears blazed, and he has acquitted himself well. He cultivates the farm his grandfather carved from the forest, takes a high place in public life as town and state official

and is identified with the varied activities of his section.

Born at Perham, on November 24, 1896, Harold Bragdon is the son of William H. and Clara (Spear) Bragdon. His father, now deceased, was a prominent farmer, member of the State House of Representatives and of the Senate. His death on September 22, 1946, was sincerely mourned by a host of friends and acquaintances. Harold Bragdon had grown up on the family farm, attended the Perham grade school and graduated from the Washburn High School, class of 1916. He continued his association with his father until the passing of the latter, and since then he and his son Meredith have operated the place of six hundred and fifty acres, about two hundred and twenty-five being planted to crops; about eighty in potatoes, forty to peas and the balance to hay and summer forage.

The tradition for public service runs strong in the family and Harold Bragdon is no exception. He has filled capably several local offices, has been Town Collector of Taxes for Perham since 1929; was Town Treasurer for two years, likewise Town Clerk, and from 1939 to 1941 was a member of the Maine House of Representatives. In 1943 he was elected to the State Senate. His influence has been potent in Republican politics and in the promotion of progressive legislation. He is a member of the Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, of the Washburn Rotary Club, and fraternally is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. In religious faith he is a Protestant. For recreation he enjoys hunting.

On August 20, 1918, at Washburn, Harold Bragdon married Anne Brewer, daughter of Jera and Nellie (Flewelling) Brewer. Mr. and Mrs. Bragdon are the parents of two children: 1. Meredith, who





Harold Graydon



enlisted for World War II service, with the Combat Engineers, United States Army, and served in the European and Pacific theaters, with the rank of first lieutenant; he married Marie Van Buskirk, and they have one son: William Harold. 2. Beth Marie, who married James Dale Riley, and they have a daughter: Linda Anne.

### **EATON, George Franklin**

A lifelong resident of Maine, George Franklin Eaton comes from old American families.

Born at Brewer, on March 15, 1892, George Franklin Eaton is the son of Fred Gordon and Alice Louise (Gibson) Eaton, and a descendant of John Eaton, "stove maker," who is on record at Salisbury, Massachusetts, in 1639, and later removed to Haverhill. A forefather of Mrs. Alice Louise (Gibson) Eaton was Joseph Rose, a "first settler of Bangor."

Prepared for higher education in the Bangor High School, class of 1910, George Franklin Eaton entered Bowdoin College, where he was graduated a Bachelor of Arts, in 1914. For his professional education he went to the University of Maine, and is a Bachelor of Laws, class of 1916. Before he was fully established in a law practice, he entered the United States Army for service during World War I, and was honorably discharged from the Air Corps with the rank of first lieutenant. Admitted to the bar in 1917, Mr. Eaton opened a law office in Bangor, in 1919 where he has since carried on a successful general practice of his profession. In 1940 he formed a partnership with George Francis Peabody, whose record immediately follows this account, as Eaton and Peabody. Merrill R. Bradford and Arnold L. Veague have since become members of the firm. Mr. Eaton

is a member of the American Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association, and the Penobscot County Bar Association. His college and law fraternities are Alpha Delta Phi and Phi Alpha Delta. He is also a member of the honorary society of Phi Kappa Phi.

Early drawn into politics, Mr. Eaton was City Solicitor of Bangor, 1921-25; and Penobscot County Attorney, 1926-28; and he served on the Bangor City Council in 1932-33. This was the first council under the new charter, being of the city manager type. Mr. Eaton was active on the committee that sponsored and brought about this change. He is a Republican in party connections. Along business and related lines he is president and a director of the European and North American Railway; a trustee of the Bangor Savings Bank; a director of Merchants National Bank of Bangor; president of the Bangor Fuel Society; and president and a trustee of the Eastern Maine General Hospital. He is a trustee of the Bangor Theological Seminary; trustee of the Bangor Public Library; vice president and trustee of the Home for Aged Men at Bangor; and was a member of the School Board from 1926 to 1931. Mr. Eaton's clubs include the Tarratine Club, the Penobscot Valley Country Club, the Rotary Club, and the Bucks Harbor Yacht Club, of which he is a past commodore. His avocation is yachting. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. A member of the higher bodies of the order, he is a Knight Templar, and has had the distinct honor of having the Thirty-third degree conferred upon him. He and his family attend the Congregational Church.

On August 22, 1917, at Bangor, George Franklin Eaton married Elizabeth Gale



Littlefield, of this city, daughter of Nathaniel W. and Laura L. Littlefield. Mr. and Mrs. Eaton are the parents of four sons: 1. Franklin Wilmot, born at Bangor, November 19, 1920; a graduate of Bangor High School, and Bowdoin College, Bachelor of Arts, class of 1942; during World War II, he served with the United States Army Signal Corps in the Pacific Theater of Operations. Currently he is associated with the Columbia Investment Company. He married Florence P. Perry, and they have two daughters: Elizabeth Gale and Emily Morris. 2. Richard Galen, born March 21, 1923; a graduate of Bangor High School and Bowdoin College, class of 1944, with the degree Bachelor of Arts, now a teacher and pursuing graduate work in the physics department at Brown University. During World War II, he enlisted in the United States Navy, and was on sea duty in the Pacific Theater of Operations on a destroyer, as radar officer, with the rank of lieutenant, junior grade. 3. Robert John, who was born April 30, 1929; now an undergraduate at Bowdoin College. 4. Dwight Littlefield, who was born August 2, 1935; attending Deerfield Academy, Deerfield, Massachusetts.

#### **PEABODY, George Francis**

Bringing to his profession broad formal and technical education, George Francis Peabody has come rapidly to the fore as a Bangor attorney in the past decade. He has allied himself with progressive movements and civic organizations in the city, and is highly esteemed for his hearty co-operation with worthwhile community undertakings.

Mr. Peabody was born at Houlton, on August 30, 1912, son of Frank A. and Fannie Houlton (Pearce) Peabody. Although the Peabody name is well-known

in New England history, his father was a native of Canada, who came to Maine in the latter part of the nineteenth century and settled in Houlton. An ancestor of Mrs. Peabody was one of the founders of Houlton, for whom it was named. As the story goes, men by the names of Houlton and Putnam both desired to have the new place bear their name, and settled the question by entering upon a race from Boston, Putnam by land, and Houlton by sea. The latter won by three days, thereby winning the honor.

George Francis Peabody was educated in the Houlton High School, class of 1929, attended Hebron Academy, and was graduated from Bowdoin College with the degree Bachelor of Arts, class of 1934. Entering Harvard University Law School, he was graduated with the degree Bachelor of Laws in 1937. As an undergraduate he became a member of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association, and the Penobscot County Bar Association. In 1937 he began the practice of his profession with George Franklin Eaton, and in 1940 became a partner in Eaton and Peabody, one of the outstanding legal firms of Maine. Mr. Peabody engages in a general civil practice, including corporation and probate matters. His firm acts as counsel for The Merrill Trust Company, the Bangor Savings Bank, the Merchants National Bank of Bangor, the Eastern Corporation, and the Bangor Publishing Company.

Mr. Peabody has been a member of the Bangor City Council, 1943-45, being its chairman in the last year. He serves as a director of The Merrill Trust Company and also lends his abilities to many organizational activities. He serves on the board of directors of the Bangor Chil-

dren's Home and was formerly a director of the Family Welfare Society; he is a member of the executive board of the Boy Scouts of America, Katahdin Area Council; is past chairman of the budget committee of the Community Chest; and is a former member of the executive committee of Penobscot County Chapter, American Red Cross. Fraternally, Mr. Peabody is a Thirty-second degree Mason and a member of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His clubs include the Executives Club, which he served as president in 1948-49; the City Club, which he served as president in 1945-46; and the Tarratine Club. He and his family attend the Unitarian Church.

On October 17, 1938, at Houlton, George Francis Peabody married Helen E. Dill, of Houlton, daughter of Lee C. and Edith Dill. Mr. and Mrs. Peabody are the parents of three daughters: 1. Sarah Ann, born October 19, 1939. 2. Mary Helen, born February 21, 1944. 3. Jane Frances, born September 26, 1949.

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#### **SMITH, Robert D.**

Robert Dennison Smith was born on August 5, 1907, in Belfast, Maine, the son of Rev. and Mrs. Ashley A. Smith. The family moved to Bangor in 1911, where Mr. Smith has lived since then. In 1937 he married Roberta Logie Edgar of Bangor, and they have a son, Robert Edward.

Mr. Smith, better known as Bob Smith, became a radio announcer and entertainer over WABI in Bangor in 1924 when this radio station was the only one in Maine. Bob has entertained over several of the biggest radio stations in the east and since just before World War II he has devoted most of his time to broadcasting the news. He is a life member of Radio

Pioneers and is on the club's board of directors. He is the only announcer in New England who is a member of this national organization.

In April, 1949, Bob received congratulations on being in radio twenty-five years from President Harry S. Truman, former President Herbert Hoover, Maine's Governor Frederick G. Payne, Senator Margaret Chase Smith, Harold E. Stassen, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, H. V. Kaltenborn, Bing Crosby, Milton J. Cross, Bob Hope, Amos 'n' Andy, Mary Pickford, Burns and Allen, Edgar Bergen, and many others prominent in radio.

Mr. Smith is a Knight Templar and a Thirty-second degree Mason. In September, 1948, he was appointed Probation Officer for Penobscot County by Governor Horace Hildreth to succeed his father, with whom he had been associated in this work for several years.

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#### **SMITH, Ashley A.**

Dr. Ashley A. Smith was born in Auburn, on May 28, 1871, the son of Ashley Benjamin and Adeline Ruth (Coy) Smith; he is a descendant of Captain John Smith of Virginia.

He was graduated in 1891 from Edward Little High School, Auburn, and received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity from Crane Theological School at Tufts College in 1895, in which year he was ordained to the Universalist ministry. He worked his way through college by working in the shoe factories of Auburn, during vacations. While attending Tufts, he was a member of the Glee Club and played first base on the college baseball team.

His first pastorate was in Gloucester, Massachusetts from 1895 to 1898, and while minister of the Universalist Church there he met Bertha Dennison Clark,



of that city, whom he married in 1898. Between 1898 and 1911, he became well-known and highly esteemed as pastor of the Universalist Church in Belfast, Maine, and was devoted to a number of civic causes. He was chairman of the School Board for a time and also chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Belfast Free Library from 1903 to 1911.

The Rev. Ashley Smith moved from Belfast to Bangor in 1911. It was not an easy pastorate to which he came, for five weeks after his coming to Bangor, the great Bangor fire destroyed the First Universalist Church of which he had just become the leader. Dr. Smith, neglecting his own home, did valiant work in saving the most cherished possessions of the church. When he was driven from the church by the fire, he made a futile attempt to save his home and belongings, but everything was lost including a valuable library of over thirteen hundred volumes. Many of these were old first editions and presentation copies given him by authors whose works he had reviewed for the "New York Times."

On the shoulders of the new minister fell the tremendous task of rebuilding his church and holding together his parish. A man of God and still a practical worker who realized that God's inspiration was given to those who work, Dr. Smith rolled up his sleeves, as it were, joined hands with the finance committee and, with indomitable energy backed by the earnest co-operation as well as the moral and financial support of the parish, proceeded to rebuild that which had been destroyed. His achievement was almost miraculous, for within five years over sixty-six thousand dollars had been raised and the last notes had been paid. Ceremonies were held in the newly built church to celebrate the wiping out of this

great debt, on the fifth anniversary of the fire.

Through Mr. Smith's efforts the church acquired its fine set of chime bells, and on September 17, 1919 the Madeleine Chimes, given by Mrs. James Adams in memory of her daughter, Madeleine, were dedicated. On March 1, 1924, Dr. and Mrs. Smith's daughter, Dorothy, died. The Smiths gave ten thousand dollars to the church to start the Dorothy Memorial Fund, and on September 23, 1925, the Dorothy Memorial Building was dedicated.

It was in January, 1924, when radio was still in its infancy, that Dr. Smith began to broadcast his church service over WABI in Bangor. Twenty years later he had established a world's record for continuous broadcasting. For his far-sightedness in being one of the first ministers to realize the value of radio in bringing religion to those confined to their homes because of illness, he received congratulations and praise from President Truman, several of Maine's governors, the poet Carl Sandburg, the Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick, the Rev. John Haynes Holmes and many radio personalities. He was the first minister elected to membership in the Twenty Year Club of Radio Pioneers. The Rev. Mr. Smith's radio listeners embraced multitudes of creeds in faraway lumber camps, remote and snowbound farms and churchless villages. Many of these people could have heard the word of God in no other way. Throughout the world, other preachers are now following Mr. Smith's example.

A unique distinction enjoyed by Mr. Smith is the fact that the first degree of Doctor of Divinity conferred by the University of Maine was received by him in 1922. During the past thirty years, Dr.



Smith received and declined many calls to larger parishes outside the state. At one time he served as president of the Maine Universalist Convention. He resigned from the First Universalist Church of Bangor in June, 1936, after more than twenty-five years of service, the longest pastorate in the history of the church. At the time of his resignation, he was named Pastor Emeritus.

In 1923 Dr. Smith was appointed Probation Officer for Penobscot County by Governor Percival P. Baxter and was re-appointed by each governor since then. He resigned in September, 1949 because of ill health after twenty-five years of service to the county. He also served as Federal Probation Officer for several years, being appointed by Judge John A. Peters. His unselfish and helpful work in this field was known far beyond the borders of the state, and his opinions were quoted in many national publications and in England. At one time, Mr. Smith was chairman of the board of directors of the Maine Probation Association.

On June 7th, 1943, federal, state, county, and local officials extended a surprise testimonial to Mr. Smith on the occasion of his twentieth anniversary as Probation Officer. This quotation from a letter written by former Governor Percival P. Baxter was typical of the sentiments expressed: "You certainly have rendered distinguished service to your county and state. You have the confidence of your fellow citizens. You have worked hard and faithfully to help those in trouble. You have done this unselfishly and without seeking the applause of the public. You have been an ideal Probation Officer."

Widely known in fraternal circles, Dr. Smith received the Thirty-third and highest degree in Masonry in 1923. He was

Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Maine in 1910-1911, Worshipful Master of Phoenix Lodge, High Priest of Corinthian Royal Arch Chapter, Eminent Commander of Palestine Commandery, Knights Templar, all of Belfast, and Most Puissant Sovereign of Tamerlane Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine of Bangor, and T. I. Master of Bangor Council No. 5, Royal and Select Masters. In 1937, Dr. Smith was appointed one of the five Grand Chaplains of the National League of Masonic Clubs.

In 1910 Dr. Smith laid the cornerstone of the Masonic Temple in Portland. From 1922 through 1945 he was Foreign Correspondent for the Grand Lodge of Maine, and in 1939, he was awarded the Drummond Medal for "Distinguished Service to Freemasonry."

Dr. Smith was a member of Tuscan Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star and served two years as Worthy Patron, 1918 and 1919. In May, 1921, he was elected Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Maine.

In 1919 and 1920, Dr. Smith was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His connection with Odd Fellowship began in 1906 when he joined Waldo Lodge No. 12 of Belfast. Later he transferred to Bangor Lodge No. 8. He passed the chairs in that lodge, serving as Noble Grand in 1915. He joined Penobscot Encampment in 1917 and Excelsior Rebekah Lodge in 1918. He was appointed Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge in 1916. In 1917 he was elected Grand Warden and, in 1918, Deputy Grand Master, and he was also a Grand Representative of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Maine.

For a period of some years, Dr. Smith was a leading book-reviewer for the "New

York Times" and he has contributed to these other publications: "Youth's Companion," "Bookman" and "The Christian Leader." For a time, he wrote editorials for the Bangor "Daily Commercial."

He is an honorary member of the following: Bangor-Brewer Lions Club, the Penobscot Fish and Game Association, the United Commercial Travelers, St. Andrew's Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and St. John's Commandery of Knights Templar, all of Bangor. He is vice president of the Maine Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and a trustee of Westbrook Junior College.

Dr. Smith is a great lover of the outdoors and has always been an ardent fisherman. The story is told that once while he was living in Belfast, he was fishing one of his favorite brooks on the outskirts of that city when he came across a boy with an alder pole and line. The lad was sitting on a bridge and, by his appearance, Mr. Smith thought that the fishing could not be very good. However, as most fishermen greet each other, Mr. Smith said "Hello there, how's the fishing?" "Well," the boy replied, "it used to be pretty good until that minister from Belfast came out here and caught 'em all."

Dr. and Mrs. Smith had five children: Dorothy who passed away in 1924, Bruce Maxwell, Philip Ashley who died in 1942, Robert Dennison (q.v.), and Ruth Eleanor.

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#### **ROBERTS, Dorothy Erskine**

A noteworthy example of women in public life in allegedly conservative Maine, Mrs. Dorothy Erskine Roberts of Damariscotta, Lincoln County, takes her place among those of her sex in Fourth Estate, politics, and community affairs. It has been written that her career as editor "started with a fire and has been blazing

ever since." In politics, she is the first woman from her county to represent Lincoln County at a Republican national convention. Her influence in local life is exceptionally potent and progressive, and the variety of her organizational affiliations reflect the breadth of her interests. It may be added that Mrs. Roberts has not found achieving a career incompatible with rearing a family and the keen enjoyment of purely feminine activities.

Born at Rutland, Vermont, on March 20, 1896, Mrs. Roberts is the daughter of Samuel Hodgman and Amy (Albee) Erskine, members of long established New England families of English ancestry. Her mother, now in her eighties, also lives in Damariscotta. Samuel H. Erskine, a native of Lincoln County, who died in Damariscotta, in 1945, at the age of eighty-four years, was a Bowdoin College graduate, class of 1891, who for more than a quarter of a century was a school teacher, high school principal and superintendent of schools in Vermont and Massachusetts. When sixty years old he became a newspaper owner when he purchased the "Lincoln County News," which he published with the aid of Mrs. Erskine from 1920 to 1943 when the newspaper plant was destroyed by fire. Mr. Erskine was twice president of the Maine Press Association; a prominent Republican, and a highly honored citizen.

Dorothy Erskine was educated in the public schools of Rutland, Vermont; the Lancaster, Massachusetts, High School; Smith College, where she was graduated with the degree Bachelor of Arts, and at the Middlebury College, Vermont. She became a cataloguer in the Library of Congress, and was a teacher of languages in Bridgeport, Connecticut, and Glen Cove, New York. Her career in the newspaper field started with her father in the pub-



lishing of the "Lincoln County News." In 1923 she married Francis Cheney Roberts, who was associated with the publication from 1934 to 1937, before illness caused his retirement and she took over. Says one commentator:

She gathered her newspaper knowledge as she went along and with her parents' increasing years, more and more responsibility rested on her shoulders, until, in 1943, she bought from them the News' only resource left after the fire—its mailing list. 'From that time to the present, and as far as I can see, until I have sense enough to retire, the News and I have lived together through all my waking and many of my sleeping hours,' Mrs. Roberts said.

It should be emphasized that "the fire" mentioned, completely destroyed the plant and its accumulation of years. The fire occurred on Monday. She brought out an edition on Thursday of that week and for two years afterward, until a new plant was erected, she printed her paper without equipment; trundling forms to nearby plants in an eleven-year-old automobile, folding and doing other necessary tasks by hand. In those two years, she kept the paper alive, practically single-handed, editing and selling ads for the issues. In any "spare time" she scouted for equipment and faced the almost insurmountable obstacle of building in wartime. Since being aided by a World War II veteran who works with her, the issues sometimes mount to twelve pages. In five years the "News" was located in a new building and its circulation had been doubled. Said Mrs. Roberts:

The publishing and editing of a weekly newspaper is one of the most time-consuming, fascinating and aggravating professions in the world. Once undertaken, it is a 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week job—but just try to get me away from it.

It is a family tradition that Maine Press Association duties fall on Erskine-Rob-

erts mantles. Mrs. Roberts is secretary, her late husband was vice president, and her father, who died in 1945 at the age of eighty-four, was twice its president.

Political interests are not altogether secondary with this Maine woman publisher. She was a state Republican committeewoman for two terms and holds the distinction of being the first Damariscotta resident and the first woman to represent Lincoln County at a Republican national convention. Local business firms and friends made it financially possible for her to establish this precedent.

In abbreviated summary of the activities of Mrs. Dorothy Erskine Roberts: she was the Republican state committeewoman for Lincoln County, alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention of 1944, and a vigorous supporter in 1948 for the candidacy of Margaret Chase Smith, the first Republican woman to be elected to the United States Senate. During World War II she was to the fore in the Civilian Defense, the Air Raid wardens, the Red Cross and other drives for funds to aid humanitarian projects and organizations. Her memberships include those in the American Association of University Women; the local Girl Scout Council; the Maine Press Association, of which she is secretary. She was named Honorary Dog Catcher of the city of Auburn, on November 3, 1947, by Mayor Rosaire L. Halle. She worships in the Protestant Episcopal Church.

On July 7, 1923, at Alna, Maine, Dorothy Erskine married Francis Cheney Roberts, who died in 1941, the son of Christopher Ross and Frances (Cheney) Roberts. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were the parents of three children: 1. Dorothy Erskine, born in November, 1924, a graduate of the New York Hospital of Radiology; she married Lt. Raymond I. McFadden, United States



Army, a graduate of West Point, and they have three children: i. Mary Ellen. ii. William Raymond. iii. Barbara Anne. 2. Katharine, born July 27, 1926, county councilwoman for the Maine Council of Young Republican Clubs; runs a stationery shop affiliated with the "News." 3. Samuel Erskine, born November 18, 1930, attended Gardiner High School and Fryeburg Academy, class of 1949; served in the United States Navy; now a printing apprentice in Massachusetts.

### THE LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS

Quoting from an account in the "Portland Press Herald," of January 7, 1947, the story of the ninety-five year old "News" is as follows:

Franklin Pierce was President when Damariscotta paper was founded in 1854 by C. H. Paine as the Lincoln Advertiser.

Paine, his masthead declared, aimed at publishing 'A Family Journal devoted to Politics, Literature, General Intelligence, Etc., being the only Paper in Lincoln county devoted to the dissemination of Republican Principles.' With the slogan, Freedom is National, Paine supported Abraham Lincoln's stand against slavery.

E. H. Dunbar of Damariscotta acquired the paper in 1874, and used it as a means of financing his way through Bowdoin College, from which he was graduated in 1877. He printed this weekly in the rear of his father's store.

At first, Dunbar gave the paper away, but later, with his brother, Kendall M. Dunbar, he got down to business. They renamed the weekly the Herald & Record and operated it successfully for nearly twenty years.

In 1893 the Dunbars sold out to J. H. Ogier of Camden, a Colby College graduate who was proprietor for five years. When Ogier returned to Camden to publish that town's weekly Herald, he sold his Damariscotta paper to George W. Singer.

The new owner gave the paper its third name, the Damariscotta Herald, and proceeded to campaign editorially in the interests of good living and righteousness. Singer's crusading spirit was supported by an adequate vocabulary.

He had been a school teacher at Waterville, Hallowell and Bristol.

Leon Arnold Gray bought the paper in 1819 and merged it with the Sheepscot Echo, which he had been publishing in the county seat of Wiscasset. Gray purchased the century-old brick building at Main and Water streets, in which the finally named Lincoln County News prospered until the fire of 1943.

The new proprietor died a few months after taking over, and his widow sold the News to Samuel H. Erskine in 1920.

After fire in 1943 ruined the News' mechanical department, friends gave prompt and priceless service in helping Mrs. Roberts make a comeback. First, they speeded delivery of a Linotype to the one-story grocery building in which business was resumed, and then they put her on the trail of a press.

For a while, there was little elbow room. The small building housed all departments while Mrs. Roberts waded through wartime red tape and priorities to get a new building started.

The one-story wooden building on Church Street finally completed in the face of seemingly endless obstacles, is a monument to the indefatigable spirit of the publisher, employees and friends who helped put the paper back on its feet.

It was occupied in 1945. Eventually, Mrs. Roberts hopes to expand the new building and put all departments under one roof.

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### CROUSE, Abram

Abram Crouse, of Crouseville, continues the operation of farm acreage which has been held by members of his family for several successive generations. He has taken a vital part in civic affairs, has served his country in time of war, and has shown a constructive interest in the welfare and progress of the agriculturist.

The farm operated by Abram Crouse was purchased by his grandfather Abraham Crouse, and later sold to Arthur W. Crouse, father of Abram Crouse, in 1891. Arthur W. Crouse, who was born in Crouseville, September 5, 1859, operated

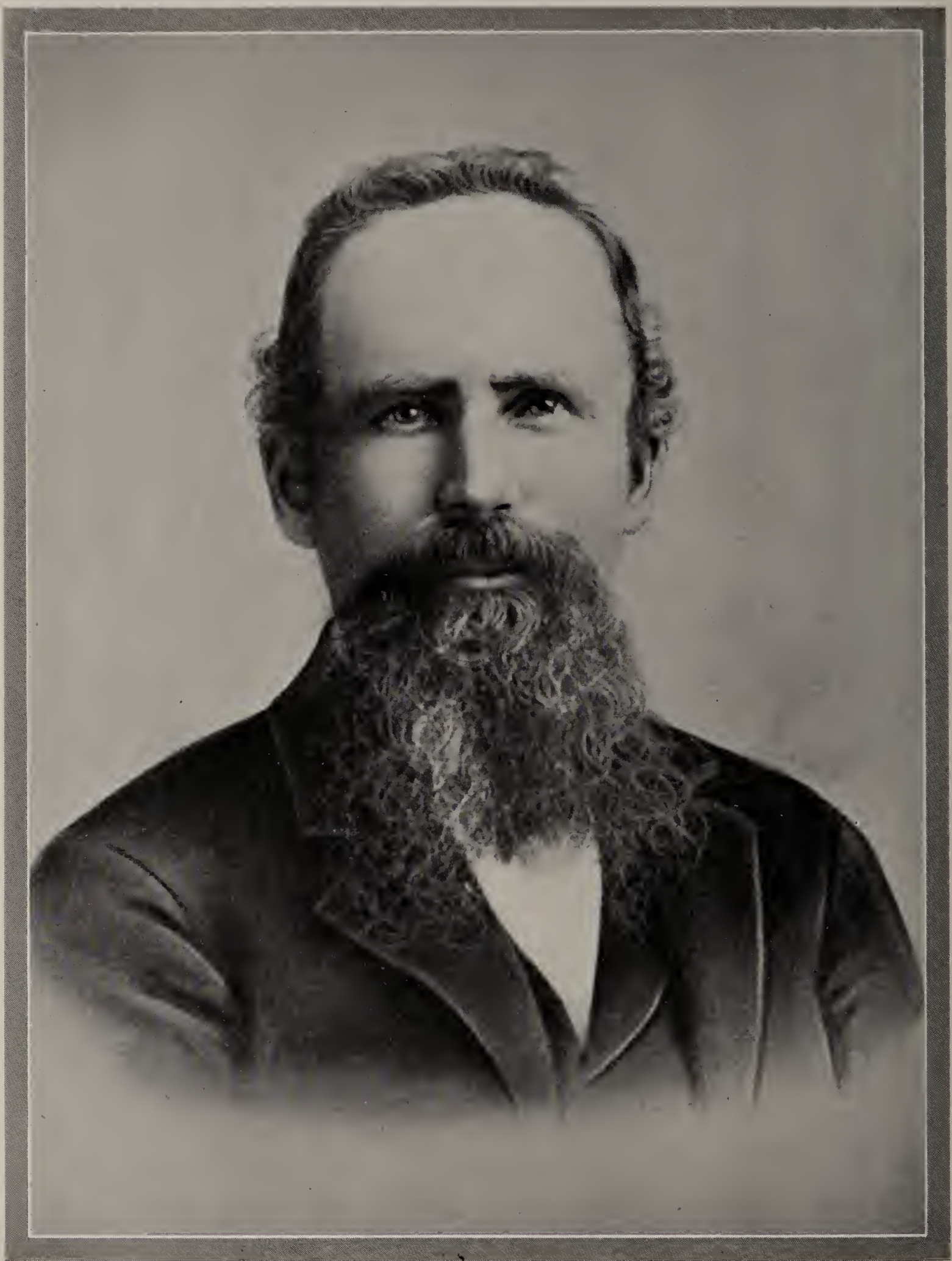


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ARTHUR W. AND SERENA CROUSE





the farm until 1919, and had in addition been active as a lumberman in Wisconsin. From 1919 to date, his son Abram has engaged in the operation of the farm. Arthur Crouse married Serena Corless, who was born July 1, 1871, in Milltown. She died February 4, 1937, and her husband followed her in death the next year, January 6, 1938. Abram Crouse's paternal grandfather, Abraham Crouse, was one of the early settlers of Aroostook, and was a lumberman as well as a farmer. He was born November 10, 1832, and died October 14, 1911. He married Caroline Christie, who died March 23, 1862.

Born January 7, 1895, in Crouseville, Abram Crouse received his public school education in that town, then identified himself with the management of his father's farm. His father retired in 1919, and since that time Abram Crouse has been independently responsible for its operation. The homestead farm consists of one hundred and sixty acres, and Mr. Crouse also operates a second farm comprising one hundred and twenty-two acres. In 1949 seventy-two acres were devoted to the production of potatoes. Thirty workers are employed during the busiest season.

During World War I, Abram Crouse enlisted in the Army, and served overseas with the American Expeditionary Forces, 82nd Division, 320th Machine Gun Battalion, Company C. The date of Mr. Crouse's enlistment was October 5, 1917, and he was honorably discharged May 7, 1919. While in France he had participated in the campaigns of the St. Mihiel defense sector, north of Verdun, and in the Meuse-Argonne sector.

A Republican in his politics, Mr. Crouse has filled public office, and done so with as high a sense of responsibility as he demonstrated in the wartime defense of

his country. He has now, for thirteen years, been town councilor for the town of Washburn. Among Mr. Crouse's business associations is his directorship of the Maine Farm Supply Company of Presque Isle.

Mr. Crouse is a member of the local Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry, and he is a communicant of the Advent Christian Church, which congregation at Crouseville he serves as first trustee. Mr. Crouse's favorite outdoor pastime is hunting.

At Presque Isle, January 20, 1919, Abram Crouse married Ona Haynes, who was born at Washburn, May 8, 1900, daughter of Columbus and Ivy (Clark) Haynes. Her father was born December 9, 1876, in Washburn, and her mother at Presque Isle on July 17, 1878. Mr. and Mrs. Crouse are the parents of four children: 1. Zoa Opal, born at Crouseville, June 20, 1920, married Carroll Armstrong of Machias, September 3, 1944. 2. Crystal Carolyn, born at Crouseville, August 31, 1923. She married Charles Cunningham of Washburn, on June 3, 1945, and they have one son, Kent Duane, born May 24, 1949, at Crouseville. 3. Anita Joanne, born February 2, 1931, also at Crouseville. She married, on July 3, 1949, John Thompson of Washburn, and they are now residing in Waco, Texas. 4. Abram Charles, 3rd, born in Crouseville, October 24, 1939.

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#### **STEVENSON, Angelo Louis**

Born in Greece, American by parentage, Angelo Louis Stevenson has been a resident of Bangor only since 1945, yet during the brief intervening period has become well-known to its citizens as the proprietor of the Brass Rail Restaurant, located on Exchange Street. He had previously had ample experience as a restaurateur in St. John, New Brunswick. This

widely-traveled man has added much to the progress of the city which he has chosen as his home.

Born in Sparta, Greece, May 19, 1906, Angelo Louis Stevenson is a son of Louis and Patra (Moutulas) Stevenson. His father was also a native of Greece. Born in Sparta in July, 1890, he came to the United States in 1911, and was an American citizen. His wife, the former Patra Moutulas spent the latter years of her life in this country, and died in December, 1947.

Angelo Louis Stevenson attended public schools in Sparta, after which he entered the University of Athens, graduating in 1927. From that year until 1930 he was a clerk in the courts in Sparta. Migrating to North America in 1930, he landed at St. John, New Brunswick, Canada, on September 22, and there entered into association with his brother, George Stevenson, and his uncle, Harry Stevenson, who had established the Riviera Restaurant there in 1928. Admitted to partnership in its management, Mr. Stevenson retains an interest in the establishment to the present time. His father, Louis Stevenson, had been associated in the restaurant business at both St. John and at Bangor; and his son followed his footsteps to the latter place, where he settled in July, 1945. Upon his arrival in the city he purchased the Brass Rail Restaurant, which is located at 202 Exchange Street. Now one of Maine's outstanding restaurants, it is furnished in the most tasteful style, and is complete with every appointment. With its seating capacity of one hundred and thirty-five, the Brass Rail serves approximately eight thousand guests each week. It gives employment to forty persons.

Mr. Stevenson was in Canada at the time of World War II, and served the

allied cause in the Canadian Army. Joining the Royal Canadian Artillery, he was stationed three years at St. John Fortress, and was honorably discharged with the rank of sergeant in July, 1945, just before coming to the United States. He also served with the Greek Army for two years before going to Canada.

Mr. Stevenson is a member of the Maine Restaurant Association, and locally, he is associated with the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Stevenson is a member of the Greek Orthodox Church.

At Allentown, Pennsylvania, November 2, 1948, Angelo Louis Stevenson married Penelope Chiparas of that city, daughter of Emanuel and Stella Chiparas. They make their home at 221 Pine Street in Bangor.

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#### WYMAN, J. Hollis

Since 1873 the name of Wyman has been associated with the sea foods industry of the Maine coast, and is indicative of a significant economic factor in the life of Millbridge. The firm of Jasper Wyman and Son, of which J. Hollis Wyman is the present-day head, has enlarged its activities to include the processing of other foods, producing its own agricultural products on its own acreage, and managing plants at Millbridge; Cherryfield; Ellsworth; and Stanley Point, Steuben. Its growth in volume of business is indicative of the fact that the heads of this firm have long been leaders in their field.

J. Hollis Wyman was born at Millbridge on June 6, 1900. His father, Jasper Wyman was a pioneer in the canning industry and founded the enterprise which has become known as Jasper Wyman & Son, beginning his enterprise with the canning of lobsters, then sardines, mackerel, blueberries, corn, and clams, but dis-



continuing the processing of lobsters and mackerel shortly before the turn of the century, that of corn canning about 1903, and that of sardines in 1922. Thereafter the firm has confined its activities to the growing and canning of blueberries, the canning of clams and clam juice, and the operation of a live lobster business including a lobster pound. Jasper Wyman, son of John and Clarinda (Tolman) Wyman, was born in Millbridge, November 5, 1852. After completing his public schooling there, he went to Bucksport and became a student at the East Maine Conference Seminary, on graduation from which he immediately entered the canning business as an employee of the John Winslow Jones Company of Millbridge, there gaining a thorough knowledge of the business. In 1874, in partnership with his brother, Edgar Albert Wyman, Jasper Wyman entered the canning business in his own right under the firm name of J. and E. A. Wyman, and undertook large-scale operations with plants eventually at Millbridge, Bethel, Readfield, Cherryfield, Columbia, and East Corinth. Its products included corn, sardines, lobsters, clams, and blueberries. It continued a large and growing business for fifteen years, and in 1889, having grown so as to demand the advantages afforded by incorporation, took the firm name of J. and E. A. Wyman Company, together with a corporate structure. Edgar Albert Wyman sold out his interests in 1903, due to ill health, and moved to the state of Washington; Jasper Wyman, controlling the stock of the corporation, sold the corn canning factories, retaining the large factories in Millbridge employed in putting up sardines and clams, and the blueberry factories at Cherryfield and Columbia. In 1905 Mr. Wyman became interested in the lumber business in

Cherryfield and the firm of Ward Brothers and Wyman came into existence. This business was sold to the Cherryfield Lumber Company about 1916. In 1903 Jasper Wyman, together with his son, James Stuart Wyman, formed the partnership of Jasper Wyman & Son, and acquired the assets of the J. & E. A. Wyman Company. Since 1903 the business has continued under the name of Jasper Wyman & Son. During the years from 1880 to 1895 Jasper Wyman carried on a general merchandising business at Millbridge under the name of A. Wallace & Company. In 1906 he was elected to the Maine State Senate and re-elected in 1908, holding his seat for a total of four years. He was a member of Pleiades Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Dirigo Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Cherryfield; the Commandery at Machias; Kora Temple, and later Anah Temple, of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He belonged also to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Eastport Lodge No. 880.

Jasper Wyman married first, December 18, 1875, Lucretia D. Wallace, daughter of James, Jr., and Nancy A. (Upton) Wallace, of Millbridge. Captain James Wallace, Jr., was a sailor and master mariner, having been master of a sailing vessel for many years. They were the parents of two children: 1. Helen Nancy, born July 5, 1878; married Joseph W. Sawyer; no children: 2. James Stuart, born February 21, 1881. In 1903 he became a partner with his father in the canned goods business and it was this association which first brought into being the firm designation of Jasper Wyman and Son. Mrs. Lucretia D. Wyman died April 15, 1890, and, on December 23, 1891, Mr. Wyman married, second, Ger-

trude Louise Tracy, daughter of Captain Edwin H. and Laura (Haraden) Tracy of Millbridge. Captain Tracy was a sea captain for many years. The children of Jasper and Gertrude Louise (Tracy) Wyman were: 1. Philip T., born in July, 1898, died in infancy. 2. Jasper Hollis, of whom further.

Jasper Hollis Wyman attended public schools in Millbridge after which he entered Phillips Exeter Academy and graduated with the class of 1919. He is a graduate of Harvard College, degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1923. Following his graduation from college and upon the death of his father the same year, he became associated in the canning business with James Stewart Wyman. This partnership continued under the firm name of Jasper Wyman & Son until the death of James S. Wyman in 1944. Since that date Mr. Wyman has operated the business alone, continuing to use the firm name of Jasper Wyman & Son. The company, merchandise from which is shipped from coast to coast, cans sea mussels, clams, and clam juice at the plant in Millbridge, which employs about seventy persons. At a plant in Cherryfield, blueberries are canned, and there, during canning season, between two and three hundred persons are employed. At the Ellsworth plant, blueberries are put through a cleaning process, before being sent to the Cherryfield plant for processing, and at Ellsworth, sixty persons find employment. To trace the blueberries back a step further, the firm of Jasper Wyman and Son owns thirty thousand acres of land which include large fields of blueberries. The yield from this acreage runs as high as sixteen thousand bushels annually, and this supply is augmented by purchases from independent growers. The company owns its own

lobster pound situated at Stanley Point, Steuben, which has a capacity of between sixty-five and seventy thousand pounds of lobsters.

Mr. Wyman is a Republican in his politics, former chairman of the Republican Town Committee. He has been for twenty years a member of the Millbridge school board. Among his affiliations with business organizations are memberships in the National Canners Association and the Maine Canners Association, and locally he is a member of the Rotary. He is a member of the Park Street Congregational Church of Boston, Massachusetts.

A writer of no small ability, Mr. Wyman has preserved for posterity an article on the history of the sea food industry which appeared in a centennial brochure on the history of Millbridge. From this we take the liberty of excerpting such passages as are relevant to the history of Mr. Wyman's own company:

"That Millbridge was one of the very first towns in the state, if not the first, in which foods were canned is without doubt, but it is difficult to fix the exact year of the establishment of the first cannery. This much, however, is learned from Wesley Chipman, one of the older citizens of Millbridge: that John Winslow Jones was canning lobsters here in Millbridge in 1869, and that he had been canning them for a considerable number of years previous to 1869, probably from ten to fourteen years earlier. . .

"In 1874 Jasper Wyman entered the lobster canning business, leasing the Jones cannery. In 1880 his brother, E. A. Wyman, became associated with him and about this time the Wymans erected a cannery of their own near the site of the present Jasper Wyman & Son clam cannery, and there they continued to can lobsters until the end of the lobster cannery era in 1892. During this era there were, for brief intervals, at least two lobster canneries, one of these being located on Bois du Bert Island and operated by Horace Sawyer. The



other cannery was located on Tom Leighton's Point and it is felt by some that this cannery was the first in town. This may well be, as very few facts, other than that it existed, can be obtained, and the name of the proprietor is no longer known.

"During the year 1880, William R. Sawyer constructed for Julius Wolff of New York City a sardine cannery located in Millbridge village, at the site of what is now Sawyer's wharf, and Wolff, together with a man named Reesing, operated this plant, the first sardine cannery in Millbridge, and one of the very first on the coast of Maine, under the name of Wolff and Reesing.

"This firm continued in the sardine canning business until 1886, when the business was sold to J. and E. A. Wyman Company, which firm continued to operate until 1891 when the factory was destroyed by fire. In 1892, the Wyman Company enlarged its lobster cannery and fitted it for the canning of sardines. This business continued until 1903, when E. A. Wyman retired and Jasper Wyman formed the partnership of Jasper Wyman and Son with his son James S. Wyman. In 1904 this sardine cannery burned, but in 1905 it was again rebuilt and continued to operate each season through the year 1922, when the sardine canning interests of this firm were discontinued and the factory closed. . ."

At Cherryfield, Maine, October 21, 1922, J. Hollis Wyman married Sarah S. Campbell, daughter of Fred I. and Josephine (O'Brien) Campbell. Sarah Campbell attended public schools in Cherryfield, Chicago, and Providence and graduated from Smith College in 1922. To Mr. and Mrs. Wyman two children have been born: 1. Nancy Tracy, born November 25, 1924. She attended Millbridge High School, is a graduate of Walnut Hill School at Natick, Massachusetts, and Smith College, degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1946. In 1948 Nancy Tracy Wyman completed a one-year course in management training at Radcliffe College. 2. Elizabeth Campbell, born June 5, 1927, also attended Millbridge High School and graduated

from Walnut Hill School, Natick, Massachusetts, and Smith College, degree of Bachelor of Arts.

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### LEYS, Duncan W.

Duncan W. Leys, of New York City and Eastport, is a business leader with industrial affiliations in both places. He is president of Paispearl Products, which was established at Eastport, in 1922, and has laboratories at Hastings-on-the-Hudson, New York, and offices in New York City. Mr. Leys is also an official of the Leys-Christie Company, an important firm in the pearl industry.

A native of New York City, Mr. Leys was born January 14, 1897, son of James D. and Justine (Weyerhorst) Leys, and his connection with the pearl industry comes quite naturally, as his father too was a pearl manufacturer. Duncan W. Leys received his early education in Yonkers, New York, just north of the metropolis, and graduated from high school there. He then entered Columbia University in New York and was graduated in 1917 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. After two years' service in the armed forces during World War I, he concluded his formal education with a year of postgraduate work, terminating in 1920. From that time until 1922, Mr. Leys was associated with the firm of Huth and Company, a firm of bankers and exporters with offices in New York.

In 1922 the firm of Paispearl Products, Inc., established its plant at Eastport, and in that same year, began Mr. Leys' connection with the firm. He has remained with this firm since, and is now its president, with offices both in New York City and Eastport. Founded in November, 1922, the firm was incorporated three years later, and a plant for the manufacture of glue from fish scales



was opened in 1937. A sardine canning plant represented the company's next act of expansion, this being located at Eastport in 1949. Offices are at 65 Nassau Street in New York, and a laboratory is situated at Hastings-on-the-Hudson, New York, not far from that city. The parent company engages in the manufacture of pearl essence from fish scales. The process has been known for over three centuries, being first utilized in France by Jaquin, a rosary maker, and referred to as Essence d'Orient. It was not used in the United States, however, prior to the early years of the present century. Although it at first served only the purposes of deception, being readily confused with genuine pearl, it has here been put to more practical uses, such as the manufacture of caskets and religious statues, the finish of automobiles, and in conjunction with plastics, leather goods, and cosmetics. Herring scales are preferred as the raw material, these being detached from the fish during their struggles on being caught; and the refining, which is a delicate task known to few men, is an elaborate chemical process. Two hundred pounds of scales may yield only one one-hundredth of that weight in pearl essence.

Mr. Leys is also vice president and director of Leys-Christie Company, manufacturers and wholesalers of jewelry and cultured pearls, and one of the largest pearl dealers in the United States. His familiarity with this intriguing and unusual industry is solidly grounded in family tradition.

During World War I, Mr. Leys served in the United States Army Ambulance Corps, being attached to the French Foreign Legion, and was in uniform from December, 1917 through 1919, being honorably discharged with the rank of first sergeant. He is a Republican in his

politics, and a member of Phi Delta fraternity. In religious affiliation, he and his family are Episcopalian.

In Denver, Colorado, December 28, 1926, Duncan W. Leys married Eleanor Fisher of that city, daughter of C. A. and Evangeline (Hazelwood) Fisher. To them have been born two children: 1. Dirck F., born January 25, 1928, a graduate of Columbia University, New York City, class of 1949, Bachelor of Arts degree. 2. Cass W., born January 27, 1931, also attending Columbia, where he is at the time of writing a member of the sophomore class.

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#### SNOW, Fred H.

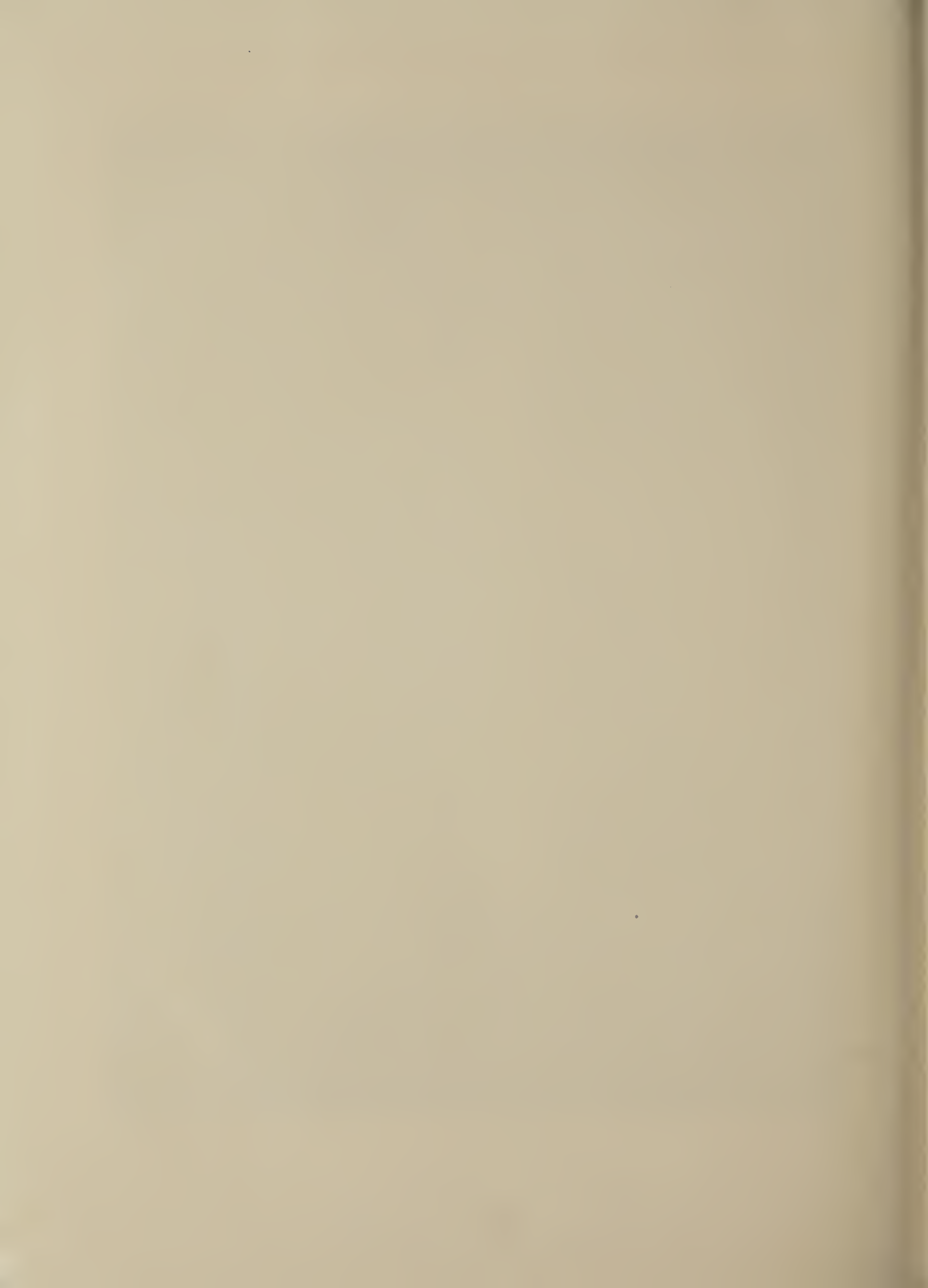
From boyhood, Fred H. Snow has been engaged in the clam industry of Maine. As early as 1909 he established a wholesale clam business in Pine Point in this state, and in 1921 he founded The F. H. Snow Canning Company, Inc. Subsequently he also launched The F. H. Snow Canning Corporation at South Gouldsboro. These enterprises employ about three hundred people.

Mr. Snow was born February 27, 1890 in Pine Point, son of Enoch F. and Lucy Emma (Merrill) Snow. The Snow family was founded in America by three brothers who came from England in 1620, aboard the "Mayflower." One of these brothers settled at Cape Cod, Massachusetts; another in Virginia; and a third in Nova Scotia. Both Mr. Snow's father and his grandfather were named Enoch Snow, and both were sea captains, fishing off the Grand Banks. Fred H. Snow's paternal grandmother was Eliza Swift of the meat packing family.

Upon completing his formal schooling, Fred H. Snow turned his attention to the clam industry when he was only nineteen years old, founding at Pine Point, in



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1909, the wholesale clam establishment mentioned above. Here he has continued since that time, operating a number of different enterprises connected with this industry. His most recent undertakings include the two canning firms—The F. H. Snow Canning Company, Inc., in Pine Point, and The F. H. Snow Canning Corporation in South Gouldsboro. The F. H. Snow Canning Company produces a widely-known brand of clam chowder, which is one of the company's most popular items. Tender white-meat clams and young Maine potatoes make this chowder an excellent delicacy. Another leader is lobster newburg and Snow's welsh rarebit, noted for the fine, aged cheddar cheese used as its major ingredient. Other items produced by the Snow organization are codfish cakes, clam cakes, pea soup, fish cakes, Indian pudding, and several canned fishes, including pollock, mackerel, sardines, and Atlantic shad.

Under the same name, The F. H. Snow Canning Company, Inc., operates a subsidiary factory at Wildwood, New Jersey. Formerly the Bellanca Airport, the plant employs one hundred and fifty persons, and daily uses its own fishing boats to obtain sea clams for factory use.

In 1947, Mr. Snow built "Snowberry" at Pine Point, famed as a lobster house and noted throughout this New England countryside for its shore steaks, chicken dinners, and old-fashioned Maine clam bakes.

Along with his other activities, Mr. Snow is interested in horse and sulky racing. He is the owner of the famous horse, "Television," and has nineteen other race horses. He takes an extensive interest in public and civic affairs, and served in the Maine State Legislature from 1931 to 1933. He belongs to the Maine State Chamber of Commerce and

the Baptist Church, and fraternally is connected with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. In the Masonic order he is affiliated with Old Orchard Lodge, Biddeford-Saco chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Saco Council of Royal and Select Masters, Biddeford Commandery of Knights Templar and Kora Temple (Lewiston) of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to the Lions Club of Old Orchard.

Fred H. Snow married, March 18, 1908, at Pine Point, Cora M. Tarbox, of Biddeford, daughter of Charles and Katherine (Nash) Tarbox. They became the parents of the following children: 1. Forrest Harold, died at the age of seven years. 2. Arlene C., born August 21, 1913, graduated from Thornton Academy, Saco, and Shaw Business College, Portland; she became the wife of Albert Poulin, of Rumford. 3. Harold Forrest, born August 21, 1917, graduated from Thornton Academy and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, then became associated with his father as vice president and general manager of the Snow industries in 1942; he married, February 24, 1940, Marjorie Douglas, of Pine Point, daughter of Asa and Geneva (Libby) Douglas, and they became the parents of the following children: i. Cora Jean, born February 19, 1941, in Buffalo, New York. ii. Linda Carol, born November 5, 1942, at Pine Point. iii. Beverly June, born June 4, 1946, in Pine Point. iv. Susan Ruth, born December 3, 1948. 4. Kenneth Franklin, born October 2, 1922, graduated from Thornton Academy and the Valley Forge Military School at Wayne, Pennsylvania; attended Bowdoin College and Duke University, now associated with the Boeing Aircraft Corporation, Seattle, Washing-

ton, where he owns and operates his own plane; he married Suzanne Lesieur, daughter of Judge Arthur Lesieur of Biddeford, the ceremony taking place in Boston, Massachusetts, in March, 1948. They are the parents of a daughter, Gail, born December 27, 1948.

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**BOONE, Herman Audley**

An uncommon industry, one which supports or contributes to numerous others, including the plastics, is the pearl essence industry, a main part of which is located in far eastern Maine. Of this industry Herman Audley Boone is an outstanding personality, being superintendent of the firm of Paispearl Products, Inc., at Eastport. The firm has an international reputation in its field.

Mr. Boone was born at Orient, on March 22, 1905, the son of Alexander and Vonie (Lanfast) Boone, and was educated in the public schools of this state, finishing at Eastport High School. Upon leaving school, Mr. Boone went to work in the canning factories of Eastport. He has remained in this field of interest, and its byway, the pearl essence industry, ever since, except for a three-year period which he spent in the United States Army. This began in 1924. A member of the Thirty-first Infantry, Mr. Boone was stationed in the Philippine Islands. He was a private first class. In 1927 he was honorably discharged, and he then returned to the cannery business. In 1938 he became associated with Paispearl Products, Inc., in Eastport, and since that year has been the firm's superintendent. In this organization Mr. Boone serves under Duncan W. Leys, of New York City and Eastport, Maine, the well known business leader who is president not only of Paispearl Products, Inc., but

of other concerns, and whose life story and career along with a record of the company are narrated in the immediately preceding section of this history of Modern Maine.

In his activities outside the industry Mr. Boone is a member of the Lions Club of Eastport. In politics he is a Democrat and in religion a Baptist.

Mr. Boone married Leita K. Matthews, daughter of William and Susan Matthews, of Eastport, in St. Stephens, New Brunswick, Canada, on November 8, 1930. Two sons have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Boone: Ronald Louis Boone and Harry Edward Boone. Both were, in 1949, students at the Eastport High School.

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**PELLETIER, Carmen M.**

A native and lifelong citizen of Waterville, the varied activities of Carmen M. Pelletier have been identified with this city in ways that have not only furthered her personal reputation, but have contributed to the benefit of the community in many fields. She was secretary of the Waterville-Winslow Chamber of Commerce, doing excellent work in an exacting and frequently lightly appreciated line of endeavor.

Carmen M. Pelletier was born in Waterville, Maine, on March 15, 1915, daughter of Alphonse J. and Amelia Pelletier, her father deceased. After being graduated from the grammar school of her city, and the Waterville Senior High School, with the class of June, 1932, she attended the Northeastern Institute at Yale University, for studies and training provided for prospective Chamber of Commerce executives. In Waterville she was engaged in welfare work for the city and the state of Maine, from 1932 to 1942, resigning at the time to become







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executive supervisor for the Hollingsworth and Whitney Company, Waterville. She performed her duties well in this connection and remained at this responsible post from 1942 to June, 1948, when she was named secretary of the Waterville-Winslow Chamber of Commerce. In a very real sense she represented these communities, both to the welfare of the communities and the public at large, with eminent efficiency and success. In June, 1949, she left the Chamber and is now in charge of the Augusta Waterville Gas Company office in Waterville. Miss Pelletier is of the Catholic faith, and is affiliated with many of the religious, and humanitarian undertakings of the city.

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**NELSON, Charles P.**

The Honorable Charles P. Nelson, who is an attorney by profession, has served the city of Augusta as mayor and his congressional district as its representative in congress. He also rendered distinguished service to his country in time of war; and his record in the individual practice of law is no less excellent.

Born July 2, 1907, Charles P. Nelson is a native of Waterville. After completion of his high school education he entered Colby College, and took his legal studies at Harvard Law School, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar of the state of Maine, he has since that time practiced in Augusta, except as occupied in public and wartime service.

For eight years Charles P. Nelson was city solicitor of Augusta. Coming into the public eye as a man of integrity, conspicuous for qualities of leadership, he was selected as candidate for mayor, and served in that office for a period of two years. Subsequently, as congress-

man, he has capably represented the interests of his constituents of the Second Congressional District of Maine. In his home community he is a prominent and respected figure in commerce and banking, having been a trustee of the First National Granite Bank. Professionally, Mr. Nelson is a member of the Kennebec and the American Bar associations. He is an active fraternalist, belonging to the lodges of both the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; and in the latter organization is a member of the Commandery and the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His fraternity is Zeta Psi, and among his local memberships is the Augusta Country Club. Mr. Nelson is a Unitarian in his religious faith.

During World War II Charles P. Nelson served in the United States Army Air Corps, heavy bomber group. Later transferred to London, he was assigned to that group's Intelligence Service, in which capacity he worked with the late Ambassador John G. Winant for two years. During his period of service, he won the Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit.

In Augusta, September 18, 1931, Charles P. Nelson married Elizabeth Gross, and they are the parents of a daughter, Elizabeth Ann.

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**PORTER, Roger C.**

All his life, except for the twenty-eight months he spent with the United States Coast and Field Artillery in World War II, Roger C. Porter of Castle Hill has been a farmer. Today he is building his reputation as a grower of seed and table potatoes. He is active in numerous organizations and civic groups.

Mr. Porter was born in Castle Hill on



December 28, 1919, the son of Clinton C. and Lilla M. (Crawford) Porter. His father, who was born at Castle Hill in 1881, is a retired farmer. He operated the home farm, established by his father, Simon G. Porter, on the State Road about nine miles west of Presque Isle, and is a well known personality in Aroostook County. Roger C. Porter was educated in elementary school at Castle Hill and the Mapleton High School, from which he was graduated in 1937. He has had a hand in developing the Porter farm since childhood, either as an associate of his father or as owner. On October 26, 1942, Mr. Porter enlisted in the Coast and Field Artillery, in which he became a sergeant. He served twenty-one months in the Pacific Theater of Operations as a member of the 63rd Field Artillery and was separated from the service on February 13, 1945. Upon his return home he purchased the farm from his father and has since that time operated it. In 1949 he planted fifty-five acres in seed and table potatoes. In the busy picking and sacking season he employs as many as nineteen persons.

Mr. Porter's community activities are channeled through the Castle Hill Grange, No. 260; the Pearl Harbor Post of the American Legion, No. 24, at Presque Isle; the Veterans of Foreign Wars in the same community; the Maine Potato Growers Association; the Abnaki Club; the Washburn Lodge No. 193, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; the Garfield Chapter, No. 48, Royal Arch Masons, at Caribou; and the Council of Royal and Select Masters, at Presque Isle. He is a Republican and a Methodist, and his favorite sport is hunting.

Mr. Porter married Jean S. Burlock of Presque Isle, November 4, 1946. She is

the daughter of Watson E. and Mary Burlock. Mr. and Mrs. Porter have a daughter, Nancy Lynn, who was born in Presque Isle on October 4, 1948.

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**WEBBER, The Honorable Donald W.**

As a lawyer and judge, the Honorable Donald W. Webber has performed an important service in Auburn and this region of Maine, where he has been a justice of the Superior Court since 1948.

Judge Webber was born November 19, 1906, in Auburn, son of George C. Webber, who was also engaged in the practice of law in this community. The schools of Auburn provided Donald W. Webber's formal early education, and afterward he entered Bowdoin College where he was graduated in 1927, cum laude. For his professional studies he went to Harvard University Law School, where he received the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1931. In that year he joined his father in the practice which he still continues in Auburn along with his extensive community work and public service.

In 1946 Donald W. Webber was appointed a member of the State Board of Bar Examiners, so serving until he resigned to take over his duties as Superior Court justice on September 4, 1948. As one of this State's leading judicial officers, Judge Webber's work has been noted for its fairness and impartiality and he has maintained his connections with the different bar associations of which he is a member: the Androscoggin Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association, and the American Bar Association.

Several business organizations claim him as an active participant, among them the Auburn Savings Bank, in which he is a trustee. Between 1933 and 1938,



Judge Webber was corporation counsel of the city of Auburn, and he has also rendered valuable service as counsel to the Tompkins Investigating Committee, appointed by the Maine State Legislature. He has also served as counsel to the Research Committee of the state legislature. He is a past president of the Kiwanis Club, and a member of the Delta Upsilon college fraternity. During World War II he joined the navy as a lieutenant junior grade, later becoming a lieutenant senior grade, in the First Naval District. He is a member of the High Street Congregational Church. His favorite hobby is dramatics, and he is a past president of the Community Little Theatre Corporation.

Judge Donald W. Webber married on September 21, 1929, in Westboro, Massachusetts, Lucy M. Nourse, daughter of Arthur M. and Gertrude (Lesure) Noursé. Mrs. Webber was formerly a teacher in the Auburn public schools. They became the parents of two children: 1. George Curtis, 2nd, born on August 29, 1933. 2. Faith M., born on February 15, 1938.

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#### **BIGG, Dort Sharon**

A shoe manufacturer who was born in Connellsville, Pennsylvania, son of Bernard and Ethel Bigg, the former a retired furniture dealer of Latrobe, Pennsylvania, Dort Bigg received his higher education at the University of Pennsylvania, where he was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science in Economics. During his college years and immediately following he was very active as a violinist and music composer playing with many "name bands."

At the time of his marriage he was associated with his brother-in-law, Wil-

liam Zeckendorf, in the real estate business in New York City. Later he joined his father-in-law, Arthur Zeckendorf, in the shoe manufacturing business. Following the death of his father-in-law he moved his family to Maine to farm. After two years of farming exclusively, he became a partner of Hyman Shocket in the Federal Shoe Company, Lewiston, Maine.

Mr. Bigg has had a variety of experience in public service. He was once a member of the Nassau County Police Department in Long Island, New York and is a member of the St. George Police Association. At the present time he is president of the Lewiston and Auburn Shoe Manufacturers Association. He is also a member of the standing committee of the First Universalist Church of Turner Center, Maine. Mr. Bigg belongs to the Turner Center Grange, the Maine State Farm Bureau, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Lewiston, Maine. He is actively interested in the direction of dramatic productions for local organizations and is well known for his charitable work.

Dort Bigg's avocations are many and varied. They include farming, playing his violin at any and all occasions in the community and restoring antiques. He has considerable opportunity to indulge the latter hobby, because his wife operates an antique shop of her own.

Dr. Edward Bigg, Dort Bigg's brother, is a professor of medicine at Northwestern University and is also president of the Internal Medicine Department of the Illinois State Medical Association. Dr. Bigg's work with Glycolvapor brought him recent national prominence.

Mr. Bigg's brother-in-law, William Zeckendorf, president of Webb & Knapp Company, of New York City, is known

nationally as "the man who is rebuilding New York."

Dort and Julie Bigg are the parents of three children. Dort S. Bigg, III, who is at present a student at Dartmouth College, and is active in sports, chess, and debating. Julie Z. Bigg, III, a student at St. Mary's in the Mountains, who is active in sports and dramatics. Louise Byrd Bigg, just starting her first year of school in Turner Center. Also a foster son, David Bennett, who is associated with Mr. Bigg in the Federal Shoe Co.

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**BLACK, Russell Stuart, D.D.S.**

Since 1937, Dr. Russell Stuart Black has been practicing his profession of dentistry in Belfast, with offices at 67 Church Street. Dr. Black was born at Sullivan, December 2, 1910, the son of the late Dr. Rufus Austin and Grace (Kellogg) Black. His father, who was a surgeon and physician at Sullivan for many years, died in June, 1935.

Russell Stuart Black graduated from Sullivan High School and from the University of Maine, where he was a member of the class of 1933. He then took his professional training at the Temple University Dental School, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Dental Science in 1937. Since that date he has practiced in Belfast, except for the period of his service in World War II.

He enlisted October 19, 1942, in the United States Navy Dental Corps as a lieutenant junior grade, and served in the Pacific Theater of Operations with the Naval Air Force, being stationed on Guam. On December 11, 1945, he was released to inactive service, with the rank of lieutenant commander. Dr. Black is a member of the American Dental Association and the Maine Dental Association.

He is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Royal Arch Masons, Knights Templar and Anah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He and his family attend the First Church.

On September 27, 1930, at Bangor, he was married to Dorothea Goodwin, the daughter of Fred L. and Wavie H. Goodwin. Dr. and Mrs. Black have three children: 1. Philip Russell, born March 27, 1932. 2. Bruce Robert, born July 3, 1939. 3. James Austin, born August 13, 1945.

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**MATTIN, Harry Edward**

The story of Harry Edward Mattin might be related as that of a fire-fighter, or as the maker of pearl essence, "nature's own finest lacquer." As a matter of fact, he is both as the president of the Mearl Corporation of New York City, with plants in Maine and in New Jersey. This company manufactures "Mearlfoam," a modern means of combatting fire, and "Mearlmaid," pearl essence, a material derived from fish scales that has a hundred uses in the application of an unique and exceptionally beautiful finish to many kinds of materials. The outstanding feature of Mr. Mattin's career, as regards Maine, is that in both products his firm utilizes one of its sea resources, herring, and thereby is one of the important factors in the industries of the state.

Harry Edward Mattin is one of those whose service to his country in time of war helped rather than hindered his career. Born in Port Chester, New York, on February 27, 1896, the son of Bernard and Ann Mattin, he rounded out his education as a graduate from Cornell University, class of 1918, with the degree





HARRY EDWARD MATTIN





Bachelor of Science in chemistry. From Cornell he entered the United States Army as a private, and served into the following year in the Chemical Warfare Corps. Upon returning to civilian life, he was engaged for a decade as a chemist in the dyestuff industry.

In 1929 Mr. Mattin became associated with the pearl essence business, first with the Meyers Company, which he eventually purchased, and has since been in control of the Mearl Corporation of New York, Maine and New Jersey, manufacturers of "Mearlfoam" and "Mearlmaid Pearl Essence." Both are thoroughly modern products, but of ancient origin. Imitation pearls were made from a sort of pearl essence so long ago as three hundred years. This so-called essence is not derived from pearls but from fish scales, especially those of the herring in which the waters of northern Maine abound. By an elaborate process the Mearl Corporation makes chemically pure "guanine" as the essence is scientifically called. Guanine crystals have the distinctive quality of breaking up light "into a rainbow of shimmering beauty," and they retain their opalescence indefinitely. In the form of "pearl lacquer" probably everybody has seen its fine effects as a finish to a hundred and one materials, from imitation pearls and jewelry, to automobiles and varied surface coverings. In truth, "Mearlmaid Pearl Essence" is "Nature's own finish."

"Mearlfoam" is a development and invention of Mr. Mattin from the byproducts of the manufacture of pearl essence. As already mentioned, he was with the Chemical Warfare Corps during World War I, and he became interested in methods of fighting fires. Artificial mechanical fogs and foams had been known to be of some use in putting out and controlling fires, but it was not until World War II,

that they were perfected. In 1939 Mr. Mattin invented the present-day type of mechanical foam, that was produced in such immense quantities in recent war years. It is a matter of more than passing note that the Mearl Corporation received a certificate of achievement from the Government for its efforts in World War II, in producing mechanical foam. "Mearlfoam-5" can be described as a liquid mechanical foam compound which, when mixed with water and air in proper proportions produces fire-extinguishing foam with dependable and specific properties. It is made from the horns and hooves of cattle and from fish scales, in the Eastport factory of the company, and shipped to Roselle, New Jersey, where it is refined and distributed. Under a thousand circumstances it has proved its fire-extinguishing properties. Although the Maine plant was destroyed in 1947, a new location was chosen at Eastport, and a larger and more modern factory built. Supplies of herring are provided by a fleet of three fishing steamers and a fleet of eight steel barges, and the company as a whole gives employment to a large number of people, and is contributing importantly to the employment and wealth of a thriving community. The corporation is also coming to the fore in the processing of cod and other large fish in the production of amino acids and vitamins.

However great the responsibilities of Mr. Mattin as president and driving force of the Mearl Corporation, he finds time for memberships in the American Chemical Society, the American Institute of Chemists, the New York Academy of Science, and the National Geographic Society, and he is affiliated with the Cornell Club, the Chemists Club, and the American Legion. One of his former activities was that of teacher of celestial navigation, United

States Power Squadron. For recreation Mr. Mattin enjoys boating and astronomy.

In 1923, at Boston, Massachusetts, Harry Edward Mattin married Edith Levinthal, and they are the parents of two children: 1. Helen Ann, a research worker, who is at present in Europe. 2. Henry Lewis, a senior at Cornell University, class of 1950.

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#### **SHAPIRO, George Edward**

Engaged in the shoe manufacturing business in Auburn, George Edward Shapiro is treasurer of Shapiro Brothers Shoe Company, Inc., producers of a medium grade of women's shoes.

Mr. Shapiro was born in 1904, in Haverhill, Massachusetts, son of Harry and Fannie Shapiro; his father was also a shoe manufacturer. He received his early education in the public schools of Haverhill, graduating from high school there. He then joined a leather company in Boston, entering the sales office, and remaining so engaged for eight months before he went into the shoe manufacturing business with his father in Haverhill. So continuing from 1925 to 1931, he then bought a plant in Somersworth, New Hampshire. In the following year he returned to Haverhill, where he was engaged in the shoe business until the autumn of 1937. It was at that time that he came to Auburn and established Shapiro Brothers Shoe Company, Inc. in association with his three brothers.

In addition to carrying on his own business activities, Mr. Shapiro takes a lively interest in the general affairs of his industry, notably as a leader in the Auburn-Lewiston Association, of which he has been president for a considerable period. He is also a director of the New England Shoe and Leather Association. Dur-

ing World War II the Shapiro Company manufactured small canvas items for the army—duffle bags, cartridge cases and other things. He is a member of the Auburn Chamber of Commerce, and the Executives Club, and holds honorary membership in the Young Men's Christian Association. He is active in the support of the Home for the Aged in Portland, and takes a prominent part in fraternal affairs as a member of Lewiston Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in which he is affiliated with many branches, including Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He attends Beth Jacob Synagogue. Despite his many interests, his favorite activities are those connected with business life.

George Edward Shapiro married, in 1930, in Boston, Eva Silverman. They became the parents of two children: Harriet and Steven.

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#### **SHAPIRO, Arthur N.**

As president of Shapiro Brothers Shoe Company, Inc., Arthur N. Shapiro has performed an important role in the business life of Auburn.

Mr. Shapiro was born in 1910, in Haverhill, Massachusetts, son of Harry and Fannie Shapiro. His father was also engaged in the shoe business.

Haverhill schools provided Arthur N. Shapiro's early education through the high school grades, and he joined the shoe manufacturing firm of his father in Haverhill, in 1926. Remaining there until 1931, he joined his brother, George Edward Shapiro (q. v.), in the purchase of a plant at Somersworth, New Hampshire, where he continued until he returned to



Haverhill in the following year. In 1937 he joined his three brothers in the purchase of the Shapiro Brothers Shoe Company, Inc., manufacturers of a medium grade of women's shoes. This firm has played an important part in the business life of Auburn and in the shoe industry, although during World War II it turned its attention to the production of canvas duffle bags and other canvas items for the army.

Along with his work in this connection, Arthur N. Shapiro is a leader in civic and social affairs in Auburn. He is a past president of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, and belongs to the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, in which he is an initiate of Kora Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also active in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Kiwanis Club, and other organizations; and is a past chairman of the Boy Scouts of America in Auburn, and sustaining member of the Young Men's Christian Association. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Community Chest and a regular leader in Red Cross campaigns. Hospital work also interests him, and he is active in Beth Jacob Synagogue, and has numerous other civic and social affiliations. In spare time he enjoys golf and photography.

Arthur N. Shapiro married, in Boston, in 1934, Sara Swartz. They became the parents of four children: Ellen, Jane, Harriet, and Lawrence.

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#### HOUGHTON, Guy F.

In the paper box manufacturing business since he began as a room boy three decades ago, Guy F. Houghton has been divisional manager for Bird & Son, Inc.,

at Auburn since 1944. He is a well-known figure in Maine's large and growing paper box industry, and is a veteran of World War I.

Mr. Houghton was born at Lewiston in 1895, the son of Ira W. and Elizabeth Houghton. He was educated in this city until the family moved to Auburn, where he attended Edward Little High School. After leaving school he started work as room boy for the Automatic Paper Box Company. Two years after he entered the industry, the company was purchased by the Manufacturers Box Company, with which Mr. Houghton was associated for the next twenty-three years. In his last eleven years with this company, he was superintendent of the plant. The Manufacturers Box Company was bought out by the Hoague-Sprague Corporation, with which Mr. Houghton continued for a year. In 1944 he opened up the Auburn plant for the firm with which he is now associated, Bird & Son, Inc., and has been divisional manager ever since.

Mr. Houghton's career was interrupted soon after it began by World War I. He entered the United States Army, in which he became a private first class. He served with the Headquarters Troop, 76th Division, in France for one and one-half years. Altogether he was in the service for two years.

For some years, Mr. Houghton was active in the American Legion, in which he was a charter member. He belongs today to the Maine Publicity Bureau and the Masonic fraternity.

Mr. Houghton married Mary M. Kelleher in Auburn in 1946. He has two children: Robert C. Houghton and Beverly Ann Houghton.

Mr. Houghton's favorite recreations are hunting and fishing or camp life

spent with his thoroughbred cocker spaniels. His office is at 109 Maine Street, Auburn.

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**WENTWORTH, George J.**

Widely known as one of Maine's outstanding hotel owners, George J. Wentworth operates the Narragansett-by-the-Sea at Kennebunk Beach. This fine old hostelry overlooking the Atlantic Ocean has a sea view from every room and is a leading mecca for tourists who enjoy coming to Maine.

Mr. Wentworth was born December 24, 1888, in Kennebunk, son of Robie K. and Mary Ellen (Stevens) Wentworth. His family is an old one in New England. His grandfather, Owen Wentworth, was a pioneer in the resort hotel business in Kennebunk Beach, having established his business here in 1865. His two sons, Robie K. and Benjamin H., followed in his footsteps, as did a daughter, Elvira Wentworth, who took an active part in the development of the business. After the death of both Benjamin H. and Elvira P., the business went to Robie K. Wentworth, George W. Wentworth's father, who died in 1931. At that time the estate was divided. George J. Wentworth had been interested in the business, which was then known as the Wentworth House, from 1917. In 1921 he purchased the Narragansett-by-the-Sea, which he has continued to operate since that time.

The Narragansett-by-the-Sea offers a wide range of facilities, including golf, tennis, riding, and outdoor sports, as well as dancing and social events at the Boat Club. Kennebunk's famous beach, with its twelve-hundred-foot sea wall, follows a new-moon curve, and there are splendid opportunities for invigorating walks as well as bathing in the cool salt water of the Atlantic. Plenty of cruising, sail

boating, canoeing, and fishing are available nearby, in both salt and fresh water. Fresh-caught lobsters are served regularly in the hotel dining room, which offers blueberry biscuits and corn muffins as special breakfast treats. The Narragansett-by-the-Sea is easily reached by car, plane, or train. From Washington, the fast train known as the "Eastwind," leaving at seven o'clock in the morning, arrives at Kennebunk ten and one-half hours later. The "State of Maine Express" provides overnight service from New York, while the Canadian Pacific Railway connects Kennebunk with Montreal and other Canadian centers.

In addition to his work with the Narragansett-by-the-Sea, George J. Wentworth has taken a lively part in the affairs of this region of Maine. Since 1933 he has served on the Maine Development Commission, first under Governor Brann and again under Governor Barrows. He was re-appointed by Governor Hildreth in 1948. He was a representative of Kennebunk and Kennebunkport in the Maine House of Representatives for two terms from 1933 to 1937, then served two terms in the Maine State Senate until 1941. In that year he was elected to the Governor's Council, serving with Governor Sewall, and for one term with Governor Hildreth. He was Chairman of the Council in 1947. He has done much for the town of Kennebunk, where, in the 1920s, he was a member of the school board and the Board of Selectmen. When Kennebunk adopted the town management form of government, Mr. Wentworth was chairman of the committee which planned and installed the new system in 1947. Later, he was a member of the Board of Selectmen under the new form of government, and is now chairman of the board. He has al-



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ways been a staunch Republican. He is a member of the Maine Publicity Bureau, and member and former president and treasurer of the Welhannet Golf Club of Kennebunk Beach.

George J. Wentworth married June 13, 1913, at Litchfield, Maine, Della (Butler) Page, daughter of Luther Butler. Mrs. Wentworth was born in Sullivan, Maine. Mr. and Mrs. Wentworth became the parents of the following children: 1. Robert P., born in Litchfield, in 1914, graduated from Maine Central Institute, now associated with his father in the management of Narragansett-by-the-Sea; he married Evelyn Hunt of Mexico, Maine. 2. Owen, born at Orono, in 1916, graduated from Kennebunk High School in 1934; from Maine Central Institute in 1935, and in 1939 from the University of Maine; he is also associated with his father. During World War II he was a flyer with an amphibian outfit which was among the first to land on the North African coast, and was for four or five years a lieutenant in the Navy; he married Jane Littlefield of Kennebunk. 3. Marguerite H., born in Kennebunk in 1920, graduated from high school here and from a school in Boston; she became the wife of Howard McClurg, and the mother of their son, Owen McClurg; they reside at Palm Beach, Florida. 4. Nancy Lee, born in Kennebunk, in 1930, graduated from high school here, attended the Roger Hall School in Lowell, Massachusetts, and Westbrook Junior College, in Portland; she became the wife of Robert Chase of Kennebunk, where they reside.

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#### BECKERMAN, Louis

Widely known throughout Maine for the role that he has played in industrial life in this region of New England, Louis

Beckerman is president of the Beckerman Shoe Company in Auburn.

Mr. Beckerman was born in New York in 1918, son of Max and Ida Beckerman. His father was a shoe manufacturer. After attending New York City schools, Louis Beckerman joined his father's firm, M. Beckerman and Sons, in that city, and there learned the business in all its details and ramifications. Subsequently he moved to Pennsylvania, where he took charge of two of his father's factories, situated respectively in Boyertown and Kutztown. He continued there until World War II, when those two plants were closed down for the duration of hostilities. In 1941 Mr. Beckerman entered the army, being attached to the Thirty-fourth Division as a corporal and stationed in Italy for about two years. He earned the Bronze Star and ribbons signifying his participation in different campaigns. He was honorably discharged from the service in 1946, when he at once turned his attention to re-opening the closed Pennsylvania and New York factories of his father's company.

Through 1946, 1947, and 1948 Mr. Beckerman was in complete charge of the new factory of M. Beckerman and Sons in Lumberton, New Jersey. It was in 1949 that he opened another new plant in Auburn, Maine. Mr. Beckerman has continued to head the Beckerman Shoe Company, as the Auburn plant is called. The Beckerman factories produce boys', misses, children's and infants' shoes, all of stitched down construction. In addition to heading the Auburn company, Mr. Beckerman continues as vice president of the Beckerman Corporation in Boyertown and the Beckerman Shoe Corporation in Kutztown.

He is a member of the National Shoemakers' Association, the Auburn Cham-

ber of Commerce, the Rotary Club in Pennsylvania, the Free and Accepted Masons, the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, and Beth Abraham and Beth Jacob Temple.

In New York, in 1943, Louis Beckerman married Pearl Mintz. They became the parents of three children: twins, Renee and Neil; and another son, Howard Beckerman.

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**BUHRER, Rev. Paul Samuel George**

Rev. Father Paul Samuel George Buhner, pastor of St. Louis' Roman Catholic Church of Auburn, was born in Lyons, France, in the declining years of the nineteenth century, the son of George and Marie (Moiret) Buhner. His father was a shoe manufacturer and a Lutheran, but all the other members of the Buhner family were Roman Catholics.

Father Buhner was a student at the normal school of his native Lyons, the College of Mirabel at Isere, and the College of Brian at Drome. He then took a two year course in philosophy and oriental history at Constantinople, and studied for six years in the Holy City of Jerusalem, where his work included courses in archeology, topography, theology, ethics, canon law, exegetics, Hebrew, hagiography, and Christian pedagogy. Before becoming pastor of St. Louis' parish in Auburn, Father Buhner had a wide pastoral experience in Maine and elsewhere. He served as assistant pastor in New York City, at Biddeford, Old Town, Waterville, and Augusta, Maine, was administrator of St. Augustine's parish at Augusta, founder and first pastor of St. Louis' Church in Limestone, Maine, and pastor of St. Agatha's Church at St. Agatha, Maine. For the three years of 1928-31 Father Buhner was chairman of the St. Agatha school committee and at the same

time served as district chairman of the school committees of Grand Isle, Madawaska, Frenchville, and St. Agatha. He is now serving as pastor of St. Louis' Church in Auburn. During World War II he was a member of the social protection committee of Auburn. Father Buhner is a Fourth degree Knight of Columbus. His hobby is writing verse.

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**WEBBER, Leigh**

Leigh Webber has been engaged in municipal consultant work in Maine continuously since 1935, and is now executive secretary of the Maine Municipal Association, as well as secretary and treasurer of the Maine Town and City Managers' Association. His dominant interest is municipal administration.

Mr. Webber, who was born at Hallowell, April 8, 1893, is a son of H. Nelson and Helen (Paine) Webber. His father, who is now deceased, was a mechanical engineer, employed at various times by several railway systems. Leigh Webber received his public school education in the town of his birth, and graduated from its high school in 1912. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Bowdoin College in 1916.

From 1920 until 1931, Mr. Webber owned and operated an automotive electrical station in Augusta. From the latter year until 1943, he was in the employ of the State of Maine Department of Health and Welfare, in the capacity of field service representative. He has been in one or another branch of service to the State of Maine or its municipalities since that time. From 1943 until 1947, he was town manager of Norway, and in the latter year assumed his present position of executive secretary of the Maine Municipal Association. He also became in that year secretary and treasurer of the Maine Town







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and City Managers' Association, which office likewise he holds to the present time. He is a member of the State School Board Assistance Commission, and at one time served as member of the board of aldermen of the city of Hallowell. He is a member of the International City Managers' Association.

Fraternally, Mr. Webber is a member of the Masonic fraternity, being affiliated with both the York and the Scottish rites. He is Past Master of Kennebec Lodge No. 5, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, at Hallowell, and is Past High Priest of the Jerusalem Royal Arch Chapter No. 4, also of Hallowell. He is a former member of both the Rotary and the Kiwanis clubs. In religious affiliation, Mr. Webber is a Congregationalist.

During World War I, Leigh Webber served in the infantry, American Expeditionary Forces, with the rank of second lieutenant. He was at various times with the 26th, the 35th, the 33rd, and the 4th Infantry divisions. Among the campaigns in which he took part were the Somme offensive, and the St. Mihiel and Argonne offensives. He was wounded in action on October 11, 1917, and was awarded the Purple Heart. Mr. Webber is past commander of the Goodrich Caldwell Post No. 6 of the American Legion, in Hallowell, and is also past commander of the Stone Smart Post No. 84, at Norway.

At Brunswick, June 29, 1920, Leigh Webber married Isabel Bailey Palmer, daughter of Arthur and Annie (Bailey) Palmer. To Mr. and Mrs. Webber have been born two children: 1. Richard Leigh, born in Brunswick, April 17, 1921. 2. Robert Palmer, born August 19, 1922, also in Brunswick.

#### **CHANDLER, Arnold Malcolm**

Many generations of the Chandler

family have dedicated their lives to the development of Maine's soil. One of the younger group of the family, Arnold Malcolm Chandler of Castle Hill, cultivates land first cleared by his great-grandfather, and is a leading grower of seed potatoes in his section of the state. He is active in the communal activities of rural and urban northern Aroostook.

Born at Castle Hill on April 20, 1917, Mr. Chandler is the son of Charles G. R. and Maude (Flannigan) Chandler. His father, also a native of Castle Hill, was for years a prominent figure among the northern Aroostook potato growers, farming the land now owned by the son. He was well known in the Grange and the Maine Potato Growers Association. The mother, who survives her husband, was born at Mapleton. Arnold Chandler completed elementary school at Castle Hill and then went to high school at Mapleton, graduating with the class of 1937. From his earliest days he worked with his father on the family farm, which is on the State Road about ten miles from Presque Isle. Another of the family who obtained his early training on the same farm is Mr. Chandler's brother, Lawrence Stanley Chandler, now also a prominent potato grower, who operates a farm on Waddell Road, Castle Hill, with his own son, Wendell Darrell Chandler, as associate.

When his father died, Arnold Chandler took over operation of the family farm. This consists of one hundred and thirty acres, of which one hundred are tillable. It is the land cleared by the great-grandfather. In 1949, Mr. Chandler had forty-one acres planted to seed potatoes. In his busy seasons, he employs up to twelve persons. He is active in the Castle Hill Grange No. 260; the Maine Potato Growers Association; and the Young Farmers



of Northern Aroostook. He is a Republican and with his family worships in the Methodist Church.

Mr. Chandler married Beulah Grant, a native of Easton, at Washburn on April 26, 1939. Her parents are Herbert and Nell (Dudley) Grant. Mr. and Mrs. Chandler have two daughters; Trudy Ann, born on April 21, 1948, and Connie Lou, born on April 28, 1949.

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#### **KIMBALL, Milton Shaw**

As president and principal stockholder of the George C. Frye Company, of Portland, Milton Shaw Kimball has the distinction of being the head of the oldest and largest concern in Maine dealing in equipment and supplies for physicians, dentists, and hospitals. To his post as an executive he brought unusual and varied experience and in the very few years that he has directed the destinies of the present firm has shown himself capable, progressive, and efficient. Down through the quarter of a century and more that he has been connected with commercial enterprises in Maine, he has been and continues to be prominent in various local and state organizations.

A native of Bath, Milton Shaw Kimball was born on September 4, 1896, son of Frederick Humphrey and Mary Emma (Shaw) Kimball, both bearers of old New England names. His father, who died in 1918, while his son was serving with the United States Army in World War I, was also born in Bath, and was a wholesale grocer and active in the grain business. The mother was a native of Greenville, who passed away in 1947. Milton Shaw Kimball attended the grade schools of his birth city, and was graduated from the Westminster Preparatory Academy, at Simsbury, Connecticut, with

the class of 1915. Entering Yale University, class of 1919, his studies were interrupted by service during World War I, when he was a balloon observer in France from 1917 to 1919. His rank during this conflict was that of a first lieutenant in the Field Artillery.

Upon returning to civilian life, Mr. Kimball was from 1920 to 1922 the manager of a service station and public garage at Brunswick. Subsequently he sold bonds for Maynard S. Bird and Company, of Portland, and was located in Augusta for a couple of years. Then for some time he was associated with the Augusta Trust Company, in varied capacities, resigning in 1935 as vice president. The years 1935 to 1938 saw him as a buyer of insurance and supervisor for the New England Public Service Company, and from 1938 to 1945 he was with the Guy Gannett Publishing Company, Portland, as comptroller. In September, 1948, Mr. Kimball purchased the controlling interest in the George C. Frye Company, as indicated, the oldest and largest concern in Maine dealing in equipment and supplies for physicians, dentists and hospitals. Always co-operative in community endeavors, Mr. Kimball is active within the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Maine Publicity Bureau, and the Cumberland Club, of Portland. He figures popularly in the Portland Country Club and the American Legion at Augusta, and he attends the Congregational Church.

At Omaha, Nebraska, September 20, 1919, Milton Shaw Kimball married Helen Ingwersen, daughter of G. J. and Jessie (Brown) Ingwersen. Mr. and Mrs. Kimball are the parents of two children: 1. Mary, who married William G. Mathes of Portland, and is the mother of a daughter, Susan. 2. John F., an undergraduate at Brown University.



